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With Traffic in Mind, DOT Commissioner Eyes Proposed UMCP Site

Anticipating the potential traffic impact resulting from the relocation of the University Medical Center at Princeton to the FMC Corp. site in Plainsboro, the mayors of Princeton Borough and Township are slated to meet with New Jersey Department of Transportation Commissioner Kris Kolluri and other area officials Monday to discuss what effect a new hospital will have on the Penns Neck portion of Route 1, as well as on local traffic.

Organized by Asm. Reed Gusciora (D-Princeton Borough), the meeting will take place this Monday and will also include Mayor Peter Cantu of Plainsboro, Mayor Shing-Fu Shieh of West Windsor, as well as representatives from Princeton University and Princeton HealthCare System, the hospital's parent entity.

Last year, the Princeton HeathCare System contracted to purchase a 160-acre site along Plainsboro Road and Route 1 in Plainsboro currently occupied by FMC. Hospital officials have said that a spring 2007 groundbreaking is possible. Most recent estimates schedule the new hospital's opening for 2010.

And while Princeton HeathCare System has undergone extraordinary scrutiny in regard to the development of its vacated Princeton lands, which include the 12-acre Witherspoon Street main campus and the nine-acre Merwick Care Center campus on Bayard Lane, little has been discussed publicly as to the consequences of developing the Plainsboro site. Until now.

"Mayor Mildred Trotman and Mayor Phyllis Marchand contacted me and they thought it was time to talk about transportation issues regarding the relocation," Mr. Gusciora said, adding that the primary concern from Princeton's end was how to handle emergency traffic leaving Princeton, especially during rush hour, when main arteries like Alexander Street, Washington Road, Harrison Street, and South Brunswick's Raymond Road suffer from severe bottleneck conditions as commuters head to Route 1.

"If there was some emergency at rush hour, especially for Princeton residents, there may be some difficulty getting out of town," Mr. Gusciora said.

Specifically, Mr. Gusciora addressed the need for a feasibility study that could explore creating a left turn lane at Harrison Street for cars attempting to go northbound on Route 1.

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NJ Supreme Court Gives Go Ahead to Boychoir Suit

The New Jersey Supreme Court ruled last Tuesday, August 8, that a law intended to guard charitable institutions from being bankrupted by employee negligence cannot protect the American Boychoir School in Princeton Township from a sexual abuse lawsuit.

In the suit, a former student at the school, John W. Hardwicke Jr., said that he was molested by the choirmaster, Donald Hanson, and by three other members of the school staff.

The Court ruled that under the Child Sexual Abuse Act (CSAA), the school qualifies as a "person" standing *in loco parentis*.

It found that the Charitable Immunity Act immunizes charities for negligence only; it does not bar statutory or common-law claims that ere based on willfut, wanton or grossly negligent conduct. "An employer can be held vicariously liable for the acts of its employees for child abuse claims brought under the common law."

The ruling means that Mr. Hardwicke can now proceed with litigation against the private school.

Mr. Hardwicke's suit claims that the American Boychoir School hired Mr. Hanson even though his pedophilic tendencies were known and that it condoned, and even fostered, the abusive behavior.

Donald Hanson was hired as Music Director in 1970. One of the school's principal administrators and in residence there, he left In 1982 and now resides in Canada.

According to a case syllabus prepared by the Office of the Clerk of the Court, parents of students received a letter in March 1982 reporting thet Mr Hanson had been given a "medical leave of absence and thet ho had resigned "tor personat health reasons."

Mr Hardwicke, who lives in Maryland, was twelve years old when he arrived as a boarding student in tho fatl ot 1969. He was a student there until Aprit 1971 and claims that the sexual abuse occurred almost daity betwoen October 1970 and April 1971.

He first informed the schoot of the abuse in 1999. Between 1982 and 1999, other students had also notified the administration that they had been sexually abused by Mr. Hanson.

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RESCUE REHEARSAL: Jeff Kutner (top) of the Princeton First Aid and Rescue Squad is seen "rescuing" Ted Wagner of the Plainsboro Fire Department in a drill conducted last week by the Mercer County 801 Technical Rescue Task Force.

(Photo by E. J. Greenblat)

Amid Resident Concerns, Pine Street Park Project *Delayed Indefinitely*

There seemed to be a consensus last December when residents of Pine Street, tho ono-block throughway that connects a portion of east Nassau Street to Spruco Street, heard a rehabilitation proposal from Princeton Borough landscape consultant Dan Dobromilsky concerning the repair and revival of the street's eponymous park.

After all, tho park, a 30-toot by 34-foot expanse barely the size of a vacant lot, did not need a complete overhaut, just some fandscaping, a toy for children, and a terrace area for picnics.

But when work was halted last week after the Borough met with residonts, certain issues were brought to the foreground that will preclude the park's completion this falt, likely holding off its opening until the warmer months of 2007.

The central issue is literally the centerpiece of the park — a so-called "whirt" toy for children to play on. The toy, which requires a certain fall zone surrounding its border, takes up too much room and could be ptaced closer to the corner of the park, residents say. While the toy is not yet installed, the foundation has been set, and some residents worry that it will occupy too much space.

"The radius of the toy and the falt zone were much bigger than what was on the plan," said Bonnie Bassler, a Pine Street resident who appeared before Borough

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Citizen Workshop Planned At Mercer County College

This Saturday, August 19, Mercer County Community College will host a Citizenship Workshop for foreign-born permanent residents seeking to start the process of becoming U.S. citizens, and for those who may need more information about the benefits and requirements of citizenship.

Sponsored by U.S. Rep. Rush Holt (D-NJ) in collaboration with the Immigrants Public Advocacy Coalition of Trenton (ImmPACT) and the Latin American Legal Defense and Education Fund (LALDEF), the event will start at 10 a.m. and run through 3 p.m.

Mr. Holt's staff, along with volunteer immigration attorneys and other trained volunteers will provide free assistance to applicants, reviewing their qualifications, documentation, and assist in completing the citizenship application (Form N-400). The event is designed to allow the completion of the entire application process that same day, including taking photographs and photocopies of documentation.

Registrants will receive a packet of information with a list of instructions and an explanation of the requirements. Those interested can register by calling Mr. Holt's office at (609) 7S0-9365. Applicants need to bring the $400 U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service application fee and $10 photograph fee.

There will be interpretation available in Spanish, French, Portuguese and Arabic. Several presentations explaining the benefits, requirements, and process of obtaining citizenship will be offered throughout the day. Those who wish to enroll in LALDEF's citizenship test preparation program may also do so at the event. LALDEF volunteers tutor citizenship applicants in small groups, or one-on-one, about American civics and history, to prepare them for the oral and written test in English that will be required later on in the process.

The event will be held in the Student Center of Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor. Free parking is available at the student lot. Up to 200 applicants can be processed during the workshop on a first come, first serve basis. For more information, call Mr. Holt's office at the above number. For assistance in Spanish call LALDEF at (877) 4S2-S333.

Peace Action Coalition Earns National Awards

The Princeton-based Coalition for Peace Action (CFPA) received three awards last month at the National Congress of Peace Action held from July 14 to 16 in Detroit, Mich.

CFPA's first award recognized it for excellence in membership and chapter development. In the past two years, CFPA's membership has grown by 44 percent to its current level of 1,750 households. The Rev. Robert Moore, CFPA's executive director, estimates a total membership of at least 3,000 individuals.

In addition, CFPA has expanded from four active chapters two years ago to 14 today, throughout central and southern New Jersey and Southeastern Pennsylvania. Three staffed offices, two in Pennsylvania and one in southern New Jersey, in addition to the regional office in Princeton, serve the chapter affiliates.

The second award was for excellence in student organizing. CFPA has two student affiliates — New Jersey Students for Peace, comprising high school students from central New Jersey; and the Progressive Student Alliance at The College of New Jersey. CFPA has included the student leaders as speakers at its events, and has held a number of Peace Fests with student musicians.

The final award was to longtime CFPA board member Carol Kiger Allen for excellence in board leadership. In addition to serving on CFPA's board, Ms. Allen serves on the National Peace Action board.

For more information about CFPA, visit www.peacecoalition.org or call (609) 924-S022.

Topics In Brief
A Community Bulletin

The **Princeton Regional Schools** will offer returning students tours of the new construction in advance of the start of the school year. The building will not be available for tours prior to the dates given below for each grade level. **Grade 9**: New Student Orientation and Tours: Thursday, August 31, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.; **Grade 12**: Schedule Pick-up and Tour: Thursday, August 31, 1 to 3 p.m.; **Grade 11**: Schedule Pick-up and Tour: Friday, September 1, 9 to 11 a.m.; **Grade 10**: Schedule Pick-up and Tour: Friday, September 1, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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A 'THANK YOU' FOR BILLY: A campaign to raise money for a new scooter for Bill Rieszer, a familiar presence in downtown Princeton, ended quickly, as an anonymous donor provided a nearly-new four-wheeled vehicle. Money raised prior to that will go toward a scooter repair fund. Mr. Rieszer's old scooter had malfunctioned.

Billy Gets His Wheels Back As Storeowners Pitch In

Princeton storeowners who have known Bill Rieszer for years and have grown to appreciate the way he sweeps Nassau Street sidewalks and plants flowers downtown were quick to notice when Mr. Rieszer, better known as "Billy," could not get around like he used to.

Mr. Rieszer didn't complain about losing the one means of transportation on which he relied so heavily, but the disability that keeps him from walking at full strength only became more evident when he lost use of a secondhand scooter that transported him to town from his home at Redding Circle.

So when Barbara Racich, owner of Merrick's on Moore Street, decided to spearhead a campaign that would get residents involved in fundraising for a new scooter for Mr. Rieszer, she thought it would be a modest campaign, with word spreading slowly.

Fortunately, she was wrong.

"People were coming in, were dropping off money, and were very forthcoming," Ms. Racich said, adding that her store alone had received "hundreds" of calls since she launched her effort. In fact, other merchants had called expressing an interest in keeping a box to collect funds — a sort of collective "thank you" to Mr. Rieszer for his efforts over the years.

A new scooter would have cost an estimated $2,500 to $3,000, so when an anonymous donor contacted Mr. Rieszer and Ms. Racich, the campaign was suddenly completed.

"She said 'you know, I have a brand new scooter that was my dad's and it's been sitting in my garage,'" Ms. Racich said. "She donated it anonymously, so, of course we accepted."

With the money that was already raised, there is also enough to install an all-weather protection canopy on the four-wheeled scooter (the old one was three-wheeled) and protective gear including a helmet and a good winter vest.

"I was trying to get Billy to wear some good pants during the winter but he said if it's over 14 degrees, he didn't need them," Ms. Racich said.

"I prefer the cold weather," Mr. Rieszer said, "the winter doesn't bother me, it's the summer when I have problems."

There are extra funds, Ms. Racich said, which she said she would use to create a "repair fund" in the event of a malfunction, as was the case with Mr. Rieszer's last scooter.

The quickness of the fund-

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raising effort caught both parties off guard: "It was solved so quickly; we have a problem that the problem was solved," Ms. Racich quipped.

"I just can't believe it," Mr. Rieszer said, adding that the ride was "fantastic. It's a lot faster than the others."

—Matthew Hersh

Police Blotter

Heroin, marijuana, and alcohol figured in three separate incidents last week, according to Princeton Township police. On August 14, patrols were dispatched to Princeton University Lot #19 (adjacent to Springdale golf course) on report of an unconscious male, later identified as Jonathan M. Forman, 19, of Princeton. Although he had been taken to UMCP by the rescue squad (as noted in this week's Rescue Report) when police arrived, Benjamin Grunwerg, 24, of East Windsor, was still on the scene. While he was being interviewed, it was determined that Grunwerg was under the influence of a narcotic, and another ambulance was summoned for him. At UMCP, Forman admitted that both he and Grunwerg had taken heroin that evening after purchasing it in Trenton. Both were subsequently issued summonses for being under the influence of a narcotic. No drugs were found in their possession. They were released pending a court date.

Also on August 14, an underage male exiting a car at the gas station at Princeton Shopping Center was confronted when the odor of an alcoholic beverage was detected. Field sobriety tests were performed and it was determined that Caleb Lightwills, 19, of Princeton, was under the influence of alcohol. He was arrested, processed, and released to a family member pending a future court date.

Five days before, on August 9, three juvenile males, ages 16 to 17, all from Princeton, were observed sitting in a car on Red Oak Row, where it was eventually determined that they were in possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. The three were placed under arrest, taken to police headquarters, and later released to their parents after processing. Two motor vehicle stops resulted in the arrests of drivers with traffic warrants. On August 10, Michael Thames, 33, of Trenton, was discovered to have a traffic warrant in the amount of $120. On August 12, Joan Gleason-Scott of Princeton, was found to have a traffic warrant in the amount of $1,000. Both individuals were arrested, processed at headquarters, and later released after posting bail.

Borough Police reported the following warrant arrests dating back to July 21: Ernest W. Delma, 23, of Princeton; Moncef B. Tayahi, 42, of Reno, Nevada; William Brewington, 64, of Philadelphia; Brandon Powell, 20, of Trenton; Earl Minney, 41, of Willingboro. DWI arrests reported for August 5 and 7: Guillaume Masseus, 48, of Lawrenceville, and Jessica Martin, 21, of North Brunswick.

An August 7 motor vehicle stop led to the arrest of Tina Marie Sutphin, 33, of Trenton, for knowingly providing false information in reference to a police investigation. She was also charged with hindering apprehension. Steven Tetz, 46, of Milltown, was arrested on August 4 subsequent to a call about a suspicious male panhandling money on Nassau Street. The accused was committed in default of bail.

Drunk Driving Crackdown To Be Enforced Locally

The Township Police Department has announced that it will step up its enforcement of impaired driving laws as part of a statewide campaign to crack down on drunk driving. The effort, titled "You Drink and Drive, You Lose," will run from August 18 to September 4.

The end of the summer is traditionally a time of social gatherings, which often include alcohol, the Police Department said. The goal of the program is to raise awareness about the dangers of drinking and driving through high-visibility enforcement, and to arrest motorists who choose to drive while impaired by drugs or alcohol.

Impaired drivers are reported to be responsible for killing nearly 18,000 people on the nation's roads each year. In New Jersey, 31 percent of all motor vehicle fatalities are alcohol related. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that nearly 97 percent of Americans view drinking and driving by others as a threat to their families and themselves.

The Police Department offered the following advice.

Be responsible and don't risk drinking and driving; you will be caught.

If you plan to drink, choose a designated driver before going out.

Take mass transit, a taxicab, or ask a sober friend to drive you home.

Spend the night where the activity is held.

Report impaired drivers to law enforcement officials.

Always buckle up; it's the best defense against an impaired driver.

"We have come a long way in the last 20 years in terms of drunk driving, but the work is clearly not finished," said Roberto Rodriguez, Director of the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety. "The law enforcement community of the state is committed to eradicating impaired driving from our roads once and for all".

Volunteers Needed for Mercer County Heart Walk

The American Heart Association's Mercer County Heart Walk will be held in Mercer County Park in West Windsor on Saturday, September 16. The national theme of the walk is "Walk. Change tomorrow. Today," encouraging education about exercise. The association says that every hour of exercise can increase life expectancy by two hours. The walk is sponsored nationally by Subway and locally by the Bristol-Myers Squibb Company. Around 25,000 people from New Jersey are expected to participate in walk events throughout the state this fall.

The association is looking for volunteers for many roles, including check-in/registration support, entertainers, clowns, face painters, community health fair participants, team photograph volunteers, and people to help set up, clean up, and distribute food.

Heart disease and stroke are the number one and number three killers of New Jersey residents. Cardiovascular diseases kill 14,700 New Jersey females annually, more than from all cancers combined. To volunteer, or for more information, call the American Heart Association state office at (732) 821-2610.

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Taiwan Official Released After Two Months, But Family Says Struggle Has Just Begun

When Rosalyne Shieh's father was released after 59 days in a Taiwan prison cell, all Ms. Shieh could do was laugh — happily, but nervously.

"We didn't know that much information because we were so far away, but the second we heard he was released, my mom got on a plane to Taiwan," said Ms. Shieh, a graduate student at Princeton University's School of Architecture who, for the last three months had been virtually left in the dark about her father's condition and whether she would ever see him again.

Ms. Shieh's father, Ching-Jyh Shieh, was jailed without formal charges after being accused of unnecessarily favoring a high-priced contractor in a delicate and costly high-speed railway project in Taiwan. Mr. Shieh, who stepped down from his office as deputy minister of the National Science Council in Taiwan upon his arrest, had been brought onto the project to help mute railway vibrations that were affecting the nearby Southern Taiwan Science Park. Semi-conductors manufactured on the site could not sustain the high level of vibrations.

He was jailed May 23 and released July 21, and while Ms. Shieh said her father is well — despite losing weight and having issues with his blood pressure — the struggles are only beginning. "Even though we can communicate with him again, everything's still the same, and he can't leave Taiwan," she said, adding that her father has yet to be charged.

Mr. Shieh posted bail for $3 million New Taiwan dollars, which is equivalent to about $100,000 U.S., paid partially by his own savings and from family members, Ms. Shieh said.

But what had shaken her whole family, and especially her father, was the uncertainty of the entire situation: "You don't know when you're going to get taken away from your family and you don't if you're going to have a chance to talk to them again.

"Suddenly you're removed from everybody in your family and everybody in your entire life," Ms. Shieh said, adding that her father began a journal to keep his mind clear. That journal, however, quickly turned from a means of emotional release to an extended letter to his family.

Mr. Shieh wrote about 50 handwritten pages and he had them typewritten and sent to his family in the U.S. upon his release.

"The first part was really him and how he was feeling at the time: just mentally preparing himself for the questioning so he could better explain his position," Ms. Shieh said. But about a third of the way through the writings, she said, her father began to open up.

"It started to morph into a letter to us. He was talking directly to me and my brother and my mother. He started questioning his move to Taiwan, that if the trauma it caused was worth it," she said. "My father is a very emotional person."

Ms. Shieh said her father's release has only emboldened her family's efforts, as outlined on www.supportching.com, a Web site that outlines her father's situation. Additionally, she said, her family is planning to challenge the Taiwanese government's holding Mr. Shieh incommunicado for nearly two months: "He was held without charges and 59 days is beyond what is right or fair."

As for visitation, Ms. Shieh's family is taking turns going to Taiwan. Ms. Shieh is leaving this week upon her mother's return to the states. She is nervous, but she and her family are prepared for a long fight ahead.

— Matthew Hersh

National Alliance For Mental Illness Appoints New Board

The national Alliance for Mental Illness (NAMI) Mercer chapter has recently appointed six new members to its board of directors including: Barbara Kemp, Jeremy Mann, Madeline Monheit, Professor Paul Sigmund, Laurie Russell, and Dr. Meneles Pangalos.

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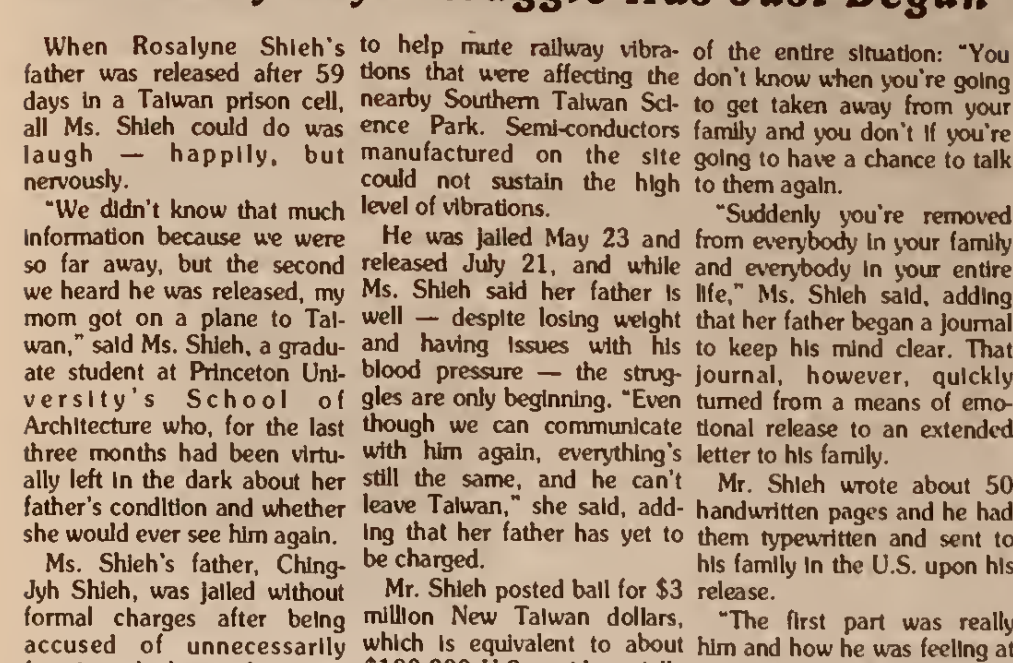
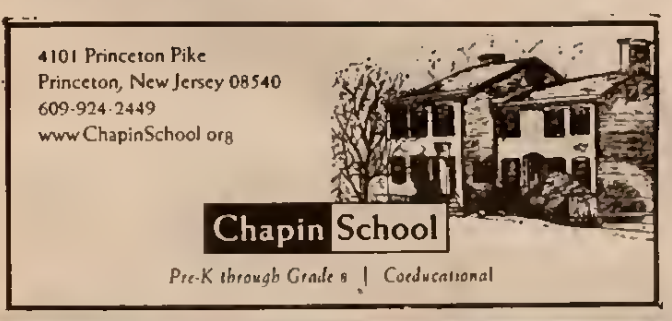


MASTER CHEF: Andrea Austin, a longtime manager of the Exquisite Tables catering company in Plainsboro and now a staff member at the Princeton Family YMCA, will offer her culinary expertise to YMCA members in a new cooking course beginning September 11 at 6:30 p.m. Classes will be hands-on workshops in which participants will explore the link between people, culture, and food. The cost for an eight-week session will be $140. Participants must be at least 18 years of age. For more information or to register, call (609) 497-9622, ext. 204 or visit www.princetonymca.org.



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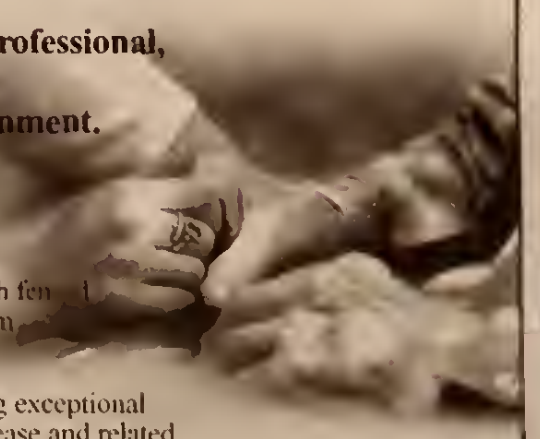

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Rescue Report

On Sunday August 6, the Princeton First Aid & Rescue Squad responded to a motor vehicle collision in which one of the vehicles overturned. The occupants of the vehicles were able to self-extricate, and seatbelt usage helped limit the injuries to minor lacerations.

On Thursday August 10, the Squad responded to a nursing home for an unconscious patient. The crew found the patient's pulse was extremely weak and his respirations were rapid, shallow and labored. The crew ventilated him with oxygen and rushed him to the University Medical Center at Princeton (UMCP) for follow-up care.

Less than an hour later, the Squad was dispatched to the adjacent room at the nursing home for another male with shallow respirations and a weak pulse. According to staff at the facility, the patient suffered a sudden change in his mental status, then became unresponsive. Again, rescuers ventilated the patient with oxygen and rushed him to UMCP.

Early Friday morning, August 11, the Squad responded to a parking lot for an unconscious male who was experiencing shallow, erratic, and infrequent respirations. For the third time in less than six hours, the crew ventilated a patient. Paramedics from Capital Health System treated him for a suspected overdose of narcotics en route to the hospital. Treatment worked, and the patient regained consciousness and began breathing on his own. He admitted that he and his friend had shared heroin after their Narcotics Anonymous meeting.

Shortly thereafter, the Squad was back at the parking lot treating the previous patient's friend for a suspected drug overdose. In this case, the patient was able to breathe adequately, but exhibited an altered mental state and was sluggish in responding to questions. He was transported to UMCP for treatment.

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Question of the Week:

"What are your views on Floyd Landis being stripped of his title as winner of the Tour de France after failing a second drug test, and his continued denial of taking performance enhancing drugs?"

"I was thrilled when he won and disappointed when he was caught cheating. I am also disappointed that there is so much cheating in sports as I have kids that play sports and it is a terrible example." — *John Grace, Pretty Brook Road*

"I think that he gave the standard response to being accused of something. PR says to never admit that you did something wrong. Just deny it and move on and it becomes just another video moment. Cheating is wrong but people do it."
— *Kahlid Anwar with Manahil (L) and Emann, Jonathan Dayton Court*

"I think that if he had taken the drugs then he should be stripped of his title. I am strongly against using performance enhancing drugs by amateur or professional athletes who are role models for our children. As far as his denial, I do not know the science behind the drug tests but I find it hard to believe that the tests would lie on two occasions."
— *Coleen Mejias, Ravens Crest Drive, Plainsboro*

"Cheating in sports and performance enhancing drugs are awful. They have done terrible things to baseball and it is a bad model for young kids growing up. In the specific case of Floyd Landis, all signs point to guilty but I do want to believe that he is innocent." — *Chris McLaughlin, Spring Street*

"Provided that the test is accurate, taking away his title seems just. Twice they ran the test, which is all they have, so I believe the test and not him. I am very negative on cheating in sports." — *Karen Fuchs, Puritan Court*

Quark Park Nears Completion; 'Deficit Spending' Still a Threat

A stroll down Paul Robeson Place would indicate that all is well in the world of Quark Park, the garden that fuses the talents of architects, landscape architects, and scientists: most of the installations are either completed or in progress, with an early September official opening still very much on schedule.

However, like Quark Park's older sibling, 2004's Princeton Writers Block, financial obstacles continue to be an ever-impending threat.

Organizers acknowledged last month that approximately $25,000 is still needed to completely finance the garden, and while they have been successful in raising some of that amount, grants and donations cotinue to be solicited, and the park remains about $20,000 short of the final $45,000 price tag.

"We've entered the world of deficit spending," quipped Kevin Wilkes, a principal organizer of Quark Park, as well as a contributing architect for one of the installations. Certainly Quark Park is in relatively solvent territory compared to its predecessor, thanks to a more effectively choreographed fund-raising campaign, but the project is nonetheless still in the red.

However, Mr. Wilkes, along with co-organizers Alan Goodheart and Peter Soderman, installed safety measures should they did fall short of money, as happened two years ago. The three envisioned different levels to which they could build, adjusting those levels commensurate with funds raised.

"It's just a question of how many layers of cake we get to install — two layers, three layers, or four layers — and how much icing goes on the layers. The cake's in the oven," Mr. Wilkes said.

Organizers hope to have a soft opening in the coming weeks, in preparation for a Friday, September 8 fund-raiser and official opening celebration. While ticket prices have yet to be set, they could range between $70 and $100.

"We're hoping to raise some dollars that night," Mr. Wilkes said.

But, he added, various safety mechanisms such as proper lighting and walking paths need to be put into place before the general community can roam around the garden: "I don't want people in there unless it's 100 percent safe to walk around."

With the relatively low final cost of the project (Writers Block cost an estimated $150,000 that included payment to the construction teams), the $45,000 cost for Quark Park is a bargain. For Mr. Wilkes, however, it's a testament to the commitment invested by the design teams.

"Everybody is volunteering their time, and we're trying to scrape materials together. The reason why it looks the way it does is because everyone is busting their humps out there to get this done."

As for the final result? Mr. Wilkes was more than optimistic. "If you considered Writers Block light summer fare, Quark Park is going to be a full Thanksgiving feast."

— Matthew Hersh

PARK'S OPENING DRAWS NEAR: Though this Jonathan Shor sound sculpture, inspired by Princeton University Prof. Perry Cook's studies in psychoacoustics, is near completion at Quark Park, the outdoor garden that fuses the sciences and architecture being built along Paul Robeson Place. Organizers anticipate a "soft" opening by the end of the month, with a Friday, September 9 grand opening celebration and fund-raiser. *(Photo by E.J. Greenblat)*

THINGS ARE LOOKING UP FOR QUARK PARK: The team of Dr. George Philander, Princeton University professor of Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences, landscape architects Holly Grace Nelson and Matthew Kiefer, and horticulturalist Bill Flemer, have produced a "vortex sculpture" in the weather garden portion of Quark Park, currently under construction on Paul Robeson Place. The park, which is well under way, is still some $20,000 short of its fund-raising goals. *(Photo courtesy of Holly Grace Nelson)*

Terhune Orchards to Host Banquet Event Tomorrow

The Terra Momo Restaurant Group will partner with Terhune Orchards to host a "Farm to Table" event tomorrow, August 17 at 4:30 p.m. The event, held under a tent in the farm's apple orchard, will include a cocktail reception and five-course dinner. All proceeds will benefit the Lawrence Township Community Foundation.

The Terra Momo Group owns and operates Mediterra Restaurant & Bar, Teresa Caffe, and Witherspoon Bread Company in Princeton, in addition to restaurants in New Brunswick and Bernardsville.

The dinner will feature the collaboration of local farmers and Terra Momo chefs, under the direction of executive chef Lawrence Robinson, preparing each dish with fresh ingredients from area farms. Each course will be paired with a wine chosen to complement the cuisine.

Participating farms will include Mediterra Herban Garden, Terhune Orchards, Cherry Grove, Simply Grazin, Organic Orchard Farm, Griggstown Quail Farm, and Valley Shepherd Creamery.

The cost per person is $100, plus tax and gratuity. Reservations may be made by calling Mediterra Restaurant & Bar at (609) 252-9680.

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Council last Tuesday outlining her concerns.

On Thursday, a subcommittee that included Borough Council President Peggy Karcher and Borough Administrator Robert Bruschi met with a handful of residents to discuss the problems with the park. Those problems, in addition to the whirl, also include a sloped terrace area — a slope that could be too much to house a picnic table: "They built a ramp," Ms. Bassler said.

And despite the concerns outlined on a petition circulated throughout the neighborhood — 16 out of 26 homeowners included their names on the list — Ms. Bassler remained optimistic that the project would go forward smoothly after meeting again with the Borough.

Some residents, however, believe that the issue at hand is minor and that the park's progress should continue unimpeded. In a letter circulated to neighbors and Councilman Andrew Koontz, also a founding member of the Princeton Parks Alliance, Jay Edson of Pine Street questioned the fairness of halting construction since that decision largely stemmed from Thursday's daytime meeting with Mr. Bruschi and Ms. Karcher. In a separate interview, Mr. Edson said that only those available during the day had been able to attend, characterizing the entire situation as a "tempest in a teapot.

"Why would I be worried about the space taken up by whirl? I've never seen more than four adults in there at one time, except for the Pine Street block party, and that happens once a year," he said in the interview.

In his letter, Mr. Edson also worried about potentially dangerous conditions stemming from an unfinished construction site. The Borough has since roped off the area.

After speaking with Ms. Karcher, Mr. Koontz contacted Mr. Bruschi and Wayne Carr, the Borough's Public works director, and advised a work stoppage on the park's construction to return to a planning process that could resume sometime in September. In the meantime, the only element of the park that will be completed will be the water fountain. Everything else will remain in limbo.

Mr. Koontz said he is advising Pine Street residents to have a clear picture of what is wanted for the park for those September meetings, citing time constraints for Borough staff.

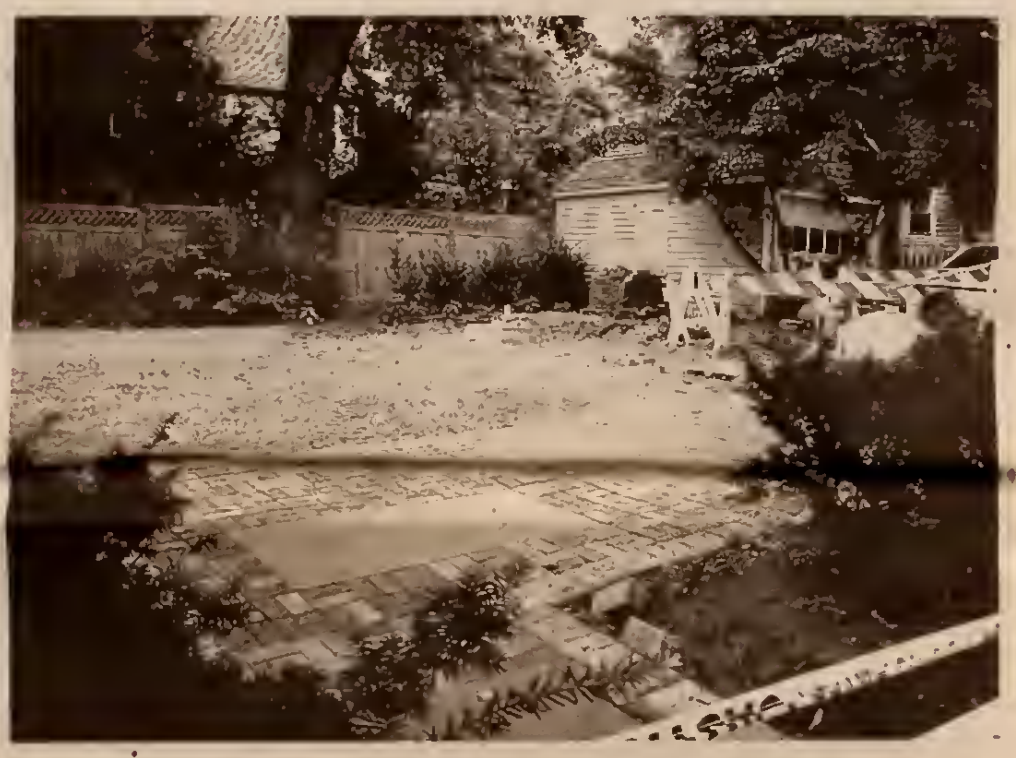
In fact, the Councilman said he was taken somewhat off guard by the concerns, as the planning process so far had gone relatively smoothly. "I think anyone you spoke to would say it went well — also, my sense was that the construction process was going according to plan.

"But these are legitimate concerns and everyone is acting in good faith," he said, hoping to restore the "good working relationship" that was on display during the planning process.

Ms. Bassler said a new plan would likely surface soon. "What we have here is a modest little park," she said. "We're not building a mall, so we're pretty close."

Last year, Princeton Borough pledged $25,000 for the park's rehabilitation as part of a neighborhood effort to memorialize the late David Bradford, the Princeton University economics professor and former Pine Street resident who died in February 2005 after sustaining injuries in a house fire.

— Matthew Hersh



PARK REHAB SUSPENDED: Work on Pine Street Park was halted last week after several residents voiced concern over placement of a children's "whirl" toy and landscaping. Borough representatives are expected to meet with residents in September, with construction slated to continue in the spring.

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Here, in his own words, Mr. Souzo speoks obout his unique position.

Lindo Arntzenius

Glass is an amazing material. Fifteen out of twenty of the greatest experiments in human history have made use of glass — from Galileo to Newton to Pasteur. Boyle is another example. Gas principles wouldn't have been discovered without glass. There really isn't a better material. When I hold a piece of glass and put 3,000 degrees centigrade on one end, none of that energy is transferred to the other end. Once it transforms from solid to liquid, it increases in electrical conductivity. That's something.

When I was a teenager, in the sixties, the last thing I wanted to become was a glassblower. It was just the worst idea that I'd go work for my Dad. My Dad was a manager of a custom glassblowing shop in Chicago. He had five sons and it was a form of punishment for us to have to work there as kids. We'd go down to the shop, put decals on stuff. I was the only one who stuck with it. My brothers are all respectably employed elsewhere.

But when we were kids we never really got to see glassblowing, until one summer when I needed a job and I'd go inside and talk to the glassblowers and really see their work. Back then, the apprentice program was almost like boot camp for the marines; they'd give you the worst jobs to do, to find out if it was worth vesting time in you.

Glassblowing really fits my personality. I like the gratification of making something tangible that goes into a process that's an important part of society. My job is unique. I could safely say I'm the best glassblower in Princeton and be sure of at least being tied!

Scientific Research

There are two kinds of scientific glassblowing: manufacturing ready-made component parts for chemical ware and custom glassblowing. I serve all of the research in physics, chemistry, the Materials Institute, electrical engineering, aerospace, geo-science. It can be intense. I also do work for some of the research companies with whom the University has partnerships and for the Department of Energy. We've become very proficient in working this one type of glass that can hold helium (which has such a small molecule it can permeate almost anything, especially glass).

Here, I work with really great people. Some of the work I do for physicists is probably the most challenging.

I came here about 15 years ago. I pinch myself. This is one of the best places to work. I have nothing more than a high school diploma. There's a famous saying in glassblowing: We don't do anything a 12-year-old kid can't do with 20 years of experience." There is no real formal training for glassblowers; there's a school down in South Jersey that gives an associate degree. I occasionally take in a younger student from Salem Community College, where I'm one of their faculty advisers. They have the only advanced degree program in the country with scientific glassblowing. So, I take an intern from time to time.

Part of my job here is to educate and I'm very happy that Princeton University fosters that. Everyone here from top to bottom has education as a mission.

American Scientific Glassblawers Society

In 2004, I became President of the American Scientific Glassblowers Society (ASGS). It was my turn, essentially. There are about 600 members, nationwide. Occasionally I write articles, papers on the subject.

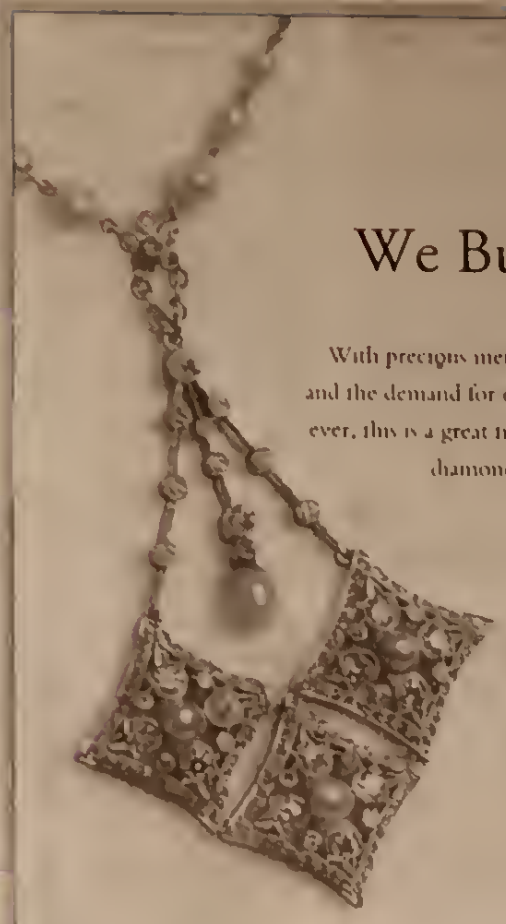
When I came to Princeton, I recognized what an opportunity it was for me, so part of my motivation is to give back to my profession, hence my involvement in the ASGS and with Salem College. Scientific glassblowing is so technically oriented. I like that I was able to achieve and work at it and get better. My Dad died recently. I think he was very proud of how his wild youth turned out.

I'm still amazed at glass. If you think how often we come across it in our daily lives, and yet how many people have ever seen glass worked or even have an idea that there are different types of glass?

Take this glass. See that light at my finger. That shows it's quartz glass, very pure. When I take this glass you know as Pyrex, you'll see something different. It's yellow. From a visual inspection down the length of a tube of glass, I can tell the type of glass. Aluminosilicate glass looks green. Quartz looks white. This other glass I can heat to 3,000 degrees centigrade and then plunge it into ice water and it won't shatter. You can do all kinds of things with glass. It's an amazing material.

I have a great wife, Mary, who is an enthusiastic Master Gardener of Mercer County. We met while playing pool when I was working at Northwestern University. We live in East Windsor and have two boys. Robert is about to enter college and David is about to go into eighth grade. My passion is music, where my taste is eclectic. I love Van Morrison, Miles Davis, Yo-Yo Ma, Itzhak Perlman, excellent musicianship, which I find lacking in newer music.

If I had a wish to be anything I'd be a musician. I tried the guitar once, but didn't get past "Louie Louie."



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Also under consideration, though it is years off, is the planned Penns Neck Bypass, the $65 million DOT road realignment project that consists of an overhaul of the traffic light system along Penns Neck area and creates a Washington Road underpass at Route 1 and frontage roads on the northbound and southbound lanes of the highway that travel between Washington Road and Harrison Street.

"The Harrison Street intersection is already a 'failed' intersection in terms of traffic backup — so everyone would benefit from an improvement to that intersection, even before the hospital moves to Route 1," said Pam Hersh Princeton HealthCare System's vice president for Government and Community Affairs.

"This meeting is basically so everyone is on the same page," Mr. Gusciora said. In regard to the Penns Neck Bypass, he added that the hospital's relocation should be included in that vision.

—Matthew Hersh

Two Large Urns Donated To Drumthwacket

John Knipper, President of J. Knipper and Company of Lakewood, sponsored the planting of two large urns in front of Drumthwacket this year. The urns were designed and planted by Polly Burlingham of Princeton, a Mercer County Master Gardener and independent garden designer.

Plants included are phormiums, ivy geraniums, asparagus ferns, verbena, and trailing vinca. The distinctive shapes and bold colors make the urns visible as far away as Stockton Street.

Drumthwacket, built in 1835, was designated the official residence of the Governer of New Jersey in 1981. The front urns and historic formal gardens may be seen as part of the guided public tours of the residence held on Wednesdays except for the month of August. Reservations are required. Reserve online at www.drumthwacket.org or call (609) 683-0057. Drumthwacket is located at 354 Stockton Street (Route 206), just south of Nassau Street.

URNS ADDED TO DRUMTHWACKET: **Polly Burlingham (ieft) and Jim Knipper stand beside one of the large urns they designed and donated to Drumthwacket.**

Local Fare
from Princeton's kitchens

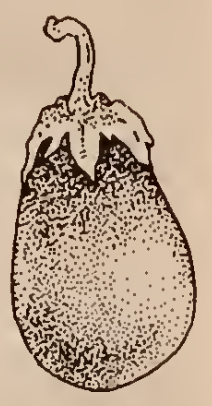
Linda Arntzenius
Town Topics Staff Writer

The Lake Palace Hotel's Eggplant (Baigan Achari)

In the center of a lake in the Indian city of Udaipur, there is a spectacular hotel that was formerly a summer palace. This recipe is from the hotel's master chef and is listed in Madhur Jaffrey's Indian Cookery [BBC, 1982]. It's a sort of Indian ratatouille, and is my favorite dish to serve with lamb or by itself with crusty bread and salad greens. It can be eaten hot or cold and can be served as part of an Indian meal or as an accompaniment to less spicy dishes. It also improves with keeping, but usually doesn't last very long in my fridge. While the list of ingredients and the method (here adapted from the original) may seem complicated, this dish is most definitely worth the effort.

Serves 6.

1 inch cube of fresh ginger, peeled and coarsely chopped
6 large cloves of garlic, peeled
2 fluid oz of water
2 pounds of eggplants
12 oz of olive oil (3 for frying spices, rest for eggplant)
1 tsp whole fennel seeds
½ tsp kalonji (black onion seeds) or whole cumin seeds
1 pound tomatoes, peeled and chopped (or use canned)
1 tblsp ground coriander seeds
¼ tsp ground turmeric
Dash of cayenne pepper, to taste
About 1 tsp salt



1. Cut eggplants into ¾ inch thick slices and then into wedges about 1½ to 2 inches. Fry batches of the eggplants wedges in portions of the olive oil until they are reddish brown on each side. Remove and place on kitchen paper to absorb some of the oil (or drain in a sieve).

2. Mix ginger, garlic and water in blender.

3. Put 3 tblsp of oil in the frying pan and heat over medium flame. When hot, put in the fennel seeds and kalonji (or whole cumin). As soon as the fennel seeds darken (just a few seconds), add the chopped tomatoes, ginger-garlic mixture, coriander, turmeric, cayenne, and salt. Stir and cook for about five or six minutes, breaking the tomatoes with the back of a slotted spoon, if necessary. Turn up the heat slightly and cook until mixture becomes thick and paste-like

4. Add the eggplant pieces and mix gently. Cook on low-medium heat for about five minutes, stirring gently. Cover, turn heat to low, and cook for another five to ten minutes or so, as needed. Use a slotted spoon to separate the eggplant mixture from some of the oil, to serve.

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Womanspace, Princeton Police Seek Volunteers, Offer Training

Womanspace, the non-profit Mercer County agency that works with local police departments responding to incidents of domestic violence and sexual assault, is looking for volunteers to help provide support for victims at a time when they may feel most vulnerable.

In meeting with victims in the police station, volunteers offer a safe haven of moral support as well as providing much-needed information and referrals.

According to Captain Robert Buchanan of the Princeton Township Police Department, volunteers serve a crucial function at a crucial time, "in speaking with the victim and leading them through the process, letting them know what services are available, and where they can get help."

Training sessions for new recruits to the Domestic Violence Victim Response Team (DVVRT) and Sexual Assault Support Services Advocate Teams (SASS) begin in September.

The extensive (80 hours) specialized training prepares volunteers for work that involves being on-call for between two and four shifts each month. Topics covered include the law, sensitivity to needs of victims and their children, and appropriate responses.

"After going through the training, volunteers choose the team on which to serve," said Captain Buchanan, who has taken the training himself and describes it as "well worth the effort."

He started working with Womanspace in 2002, when the agency joined with the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office to establish the response teams.

In conjunction with local police departments, Womanspace has provided these services in order to address an imbalance in the services that formerly existed for victims as opposed to their abusers.

Prior to a State mandate that every municipality should have a response team for domestic violence, abusers were the main focus of police attention. Victims often languished in confusion.

"Womanspace helped change this," said Captain Buchanan, who discovered that the agency was reaching out to police departments at the time. "They have been the driving force," he said.

"These support services fill a void that formerly existed for abuse victims," said Captain Buchanan. Prior to these programs, domestic violence victims often had to wait while the police were processing the abuser.

Now, a separate room at the Township Police station has been set up for victims and their children. Described as "small and safe," it may not be used for weeks, or it many be used 10 or 12 times a month.

According to a press release from the Princeton Township Police Department, response team volunteers were called out 470 times in 2005, and spoke to 800 people who were affected by violence in their personal relationships. In that same year, 126 people were supported by SASS advocates.

Since it began in 1977, the agency has trained and educated some 48,500 professionals and community members on the issue of domestic violence and has responded to 183,745 hotline telephone calls. It has helped over 33,500 women and 4,800 children who have experienced the tragedy of domestic violence.

Womanspace collaborates with law enforcement throughout Mercer County to provide victims of domestic violence immediate access to its services.

Currently there are DVVRT teams in all 13 municipalities in Mercer County.

Volunteers wishing to become a response team volunteer must be at least 18 years old, possess a valid driver's license, have available transportation, pass a criminal background check, and attend mandatory meetings and training sessions.

All applicants will be screened for appropriateness, and bilingual individuals, especially those fluent in Spanish, Polish and American Sign Language, are encouraged to apply.

For more information or an application contact Captain Robert Buchanan II, Princeton Township Police Department at 609-921-2100, extension 821 or Donna Beldowicz, extension 869.

— Linda Arntzenius

11 Births Reported At Princeton Hospital

The Princeton HealthCare System has reported 11 births to area residents during the week of August 11.

Sons were born to Jeanna Zguris and Jeffrey O'Neil, Hopewell, August 4; Maureen and Richard Barron, Hopewell, August 4; Emily Katz and Thurston Domina, Princeton, August 4; Diana Khmurova and Michael Lvov, Princeton, August 8; Sarah and Colin Pettorsson, West Windsor, August 8; and Haemi Lee and Josh Jung, Princeton, August 10.

Daughters were born to Corinna and Peter Bisgaier, Princeton Junction, August 3; Jennifer and Dulas Solares, Princeton, August 3; Michelle and Robert Crisanti, Skillman, August 8; Jessica and Scott Portlock, Princeton, August 8; and Rebecca and Nicholas Robinson, Princeton, August 9.

Blood Donors Sought To Counter Low Supply

A special blood drive will be held at Borough Hall on Friday, August 25 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The program, sponsored by the University Medical Center at Princeton in partnership with the Princeton Regional Health Department and Health Commission, is occasioned by the local need for blood at a time of year when blood supplies are at critically low levels.

Eligible donors are those between 17 and 70 years of age who are in good health, including those taking medications. Prospective donors who are unsure if they are eligible are asked to call (609) 497-4366 for information.

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NEW SCIENCE LABS: The new science labs at Princeton High School are scheduled to be completed in time for the beginning of the school year. See "Topics In Brief" on page 2 of the main paper for a schedule of new construction tours for students. *(Photo by George Vogel)*

CALENDAR

Wednesday, August 16

11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m.: Estate Park and Nature Tour, Duke Farms, Hillsborough. Also Thursday through Sunday. For reservations call (908) 722-3700.

2 and 8 p.m.: *The Music Mon*; Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope, Pa. Also Thursday at 2 and 8 p.m., Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 4 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

Thursday, August 17

11:30 a.m.: Mercer Regional Chamber of Commerce luncheon, with Thursday Night Jazz group; Nottingham Ballroom, Hamilton.

6 p.m.: Arts Council Summer Concert with Celtic Crossroads and Trenton Division 1 Pipe Band; Princeton Shopping Center Courtyard. Free.

7:30 p.m.: Music Under the Stars concert with Mitchel's Cajun Aces; Grounds for Sculpture, Hamilton.

8 p.m.: Princeton Summer Theater's Miss Connections; Hamilton Murray Theater, Princeton University. Also Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: *Twelfth Night*; Pettoranello Gardens Amphitheater, Community Park North. Also Friday through Sunday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: *Radio Gals*; Open Air Theatre, Washington Crossing State Park, Titusville. Also Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.

Friday, August 18

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.: Mercer Regional Chamber of Commerce Business Expo; Trenton Marriott Hotel.

10 a.m.: *Jack and the Beanstalk*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 10:30 a.m.

Noon: Talk, "Government Entitlements for Seniors"; Suzanne Patterson Center. Free. To register, call (609) 924-7108.

5 to 8 p.m.: Princeton Family YMCA Membership Appreciation Day; YMCA, Paul Robeson Place. Free.

8 p.m.: *Nunsensations!*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

8 and 10:30 p.m.: Comedians Joe Restivo and Steve Lazarus; Catch A Rising Star Comedy Club, Hyatt Regency Hotel. Also Saturday at 8 and 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, August 19

Noon to 4 p.m.: Greater Princeton Youth Jazz Festival; Princeton Shopping Center.

6 p.m.: Music in the Park; Mercer County Park, West Windsor.

6:30 p.m.: "Pops at the Pub" with The Two of Us; Halo Pub, Hulfish Street.

7 p.m.: Jeanie Bryson Duo; Hopewell Valley Bistro, Hopewell.

7:30 p.m.: Singer Erin Bode; Grounds for Sculpture, Hamilton.

Monday, August 21
Recycling Pickup
Tuesday, August 22

Noon: Concerts on the Landing Series, with John Jackson's R&B/jazz band; War Memorial, Trenton

Wednesday, August 23

2 to 8 p.m.: American Red Cross Blood Drive; Adath Israel, 1958 Lawrence Road, Lawrenceville. Also Mercer County Community Donor Center, 707 Alexander Road; and Cherry Valley Country Club, Skillman.

7:30 p.m.: Township Zoning Board of Adjustment; Township Municipal Complex.

8 p.m.: *Radio Gals*; Open Air Theatre, Washington Crossing State Park, Titusville. Also Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at 8 p.m.

Thursday, August 24

Noon: Screening of *The Wild Parrots of Telegraph Hill*; Princeton Public Library. Free.

6 p.m.: Arts Council Summer Concert Italian Festival, with music by Jay Posipanko and Michael Lemma; Princeton Shopping Center Courtyard. Free.

7 p.m.: Tonerangers rock & blues band; Weeden Park, Lawrenceville.

8 p.m.: *Twelfth Night*; Pettoranello Gardens Amphitheater, Community Park North. Also Friday through Sunday at 8 p.m.

Friday, August 25

7 p.m.: Courtyard Concert with Snapperhead Zydeco; Grounds for Sculpture, Hamilton.

8 p.m.: *Nunsensotions!*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 and 10:30 p.m.: Comedians Pete Michael and Paul Verzi; Catch A Rising Star Comedy Club, Hyatt Regency Hotel. Also Saturday at 8 and 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, August 26

6 p.m.: Music in the Park; Mercer County Park, West Windsor.

6:30 p.m.: "Pops at the Pub" with Larry Tritel; Halo Pub, Hulfish Street.

9 p.m.: Thomas Sweet Outdoor Cinema, *A League of Their Own*; Hopewell Train Station. Free.

SENIOR CITIZENS CALENDAR

Wednesday, August 16 – Wednesday, August 23

Information Provided by Senior Resource Center, 924-7108
SENIOR RESOURCE CENTER (SRC) at Spruce Circle (SC) off Harrison St.
Suzanne Patterson Bldg (SPB); Redding Circle (RC); Borough Hall (BH);
Henry F. Pannell Learning Center (HPLC).
Information about resources for the older adult. Call 924-7108.

Wednesday, August 16:
9:15 a.m. Aerobics; SPB.
10:30 p.m. Let's Talk; RC.
1:00 p.m. Blood Pressure; SC.
1:30 p.m. Let's Talk in English; SC.
2:00 p.m. Group Drumming; SPB.
3:00 p.m. Let's Talk Too; SC.
Thursday, August 17:
9:30 a.m. Yoga; SPB.
10:30 a.m. Let's Talk in English Too!; RC.
1:00 p.m. Art Studio; SPB.
1:00 p.m. Movie: *Paper Clips*; SPB.
Friday, August 18:
9:15 a.m. Aerobics; SPB.
10:45 a.m. Ping-Pong; SPB.
12:00 p.m. Brown Bag: *Government Entitlements*; SPB.
1:00 p.m. Afternoons with April; SPB.
Monday, August 21:
9:15 a.m. Aerobics; SPB.
11:30 a.m. Chair Exercise; SPB.
1:00 p.m. Bereavement; SPB.
1:00 p.m. Caregiver Support Group, SPB.
1:30 p.m. Wonder of Wordplay; SPB.
Tuesday, August 22:
11:00 a.m. Strength Training; SPB.
1:00 p.m. Social Bridge; SPB.
1:00 p.m. Computer Lab; SPB.
Wednesday, August 23:
9:15 a.m. Aerobics; SPB.
10:30 p.m. Let's Talk; RC.
1:30 p.m. Let's Talk in English; SC.
3:00 p.m. Let's Talk Too; SC.

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American Boychoir

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The case syllabus reports that the school did not notify students of the abuse until 2000, when it sent a letter explaining that a senior staff member had been dismissed after reports of inappropriate sexual contact.

In 2001, Mr. Hardwicke sued Mr. Hanson and the American Boychoir School seeking damages on several counts. He claimed that by not notifying students of the abuse, the trauma of his abuse was prolonged. His suit claimed that he suffered severe emotional harm and physical pain as a result.

The case will now return to the lower courts to determine whether Mr. Hardwicke's allegations fall within the statute of limitations.

Limiting Immunity

Last week's decision limits the scope of the Charitable Immunity Act, which gives immunity from liability to nonprofit groups set up exclusively for religious, charitable, or educational purposes, in cases where damage results from an employee's negligence.

The decision means that such non-profit organizations would not be shielded from liability in cases involving sexual abuse.

"The Charitable Immunity Act was never intended to immunize charitable organizations from gross negligence and misconduct," said Mr. Hardwicke's lawyer, Keith Smith.

In a prepared statement, Donald B. Edwards, president of the American Boychoir School, said that the school "has been very open about the story of Donald Hanson's sexual abuse of students in the 1970s and his subversion of the mission of this institution."

Mr. Edwards said, "Hanson's actions have made victims not only of the boys he abused but also of the school he betrayed."

About the ruling, Mr. Edwards said: "It will be a difficult and painful experience for a trial court to determine 35 years after the fact the truth of what happened to Mr. Hardwicke and the degree of the school's liability. We hope it will be possible to resolve the case in a manner that allows Mr. Hardwicke to get on with his life and allows the school to advance its educational mission of building lives of achievement and character through the power of music."

His statement went on to say: "The American Boychoir School is a safe and healthy place where employees are carefully screened and trained on child protection issues and where students are taught that they can, and must, talk to trusted adults — their parents, teachers, houseparents, music directors — about any inappropriate behavior. We are deeply sorry that students were abused by Donald Hanson in the 1970s and that their abuse was not discovered until many years later."

Jay Greenblatt, a lawyer representing the Boychoir School said he was "troubled" by the decision because of its implications for liability for charitable organizations. "I think that is a slippery slope," he said.

—Linda Arntzenius

Howell Farm to Host Fall Hatchery Program

Howell Farm is currently accepting applications for parent/child enrollment in its fall Hatchery Program. In exchange for introducing children to life on the farm, one parent of each child is required to help the farm staff with spring visitation groups and chores. No experience is necessary.

The program runs for 12 weeks, starting September 5, 6, 7, 8, and 11. Children aged 3 to 5 years (no exceptions) may participate in the program, which includes such activities as feeding and watering animals, collecting eggs, storytelling, pumpkin picking, and taking a hayride.

Parents may enroll by attending an organizational meeting on either August 8 at 1 p.m. or August 17. Meetings are intended for parents only. Reservations are not required. Applications will not be accepted by mail or over the phone. For further information, contact Kathy Brilla at (609) 737-3299.

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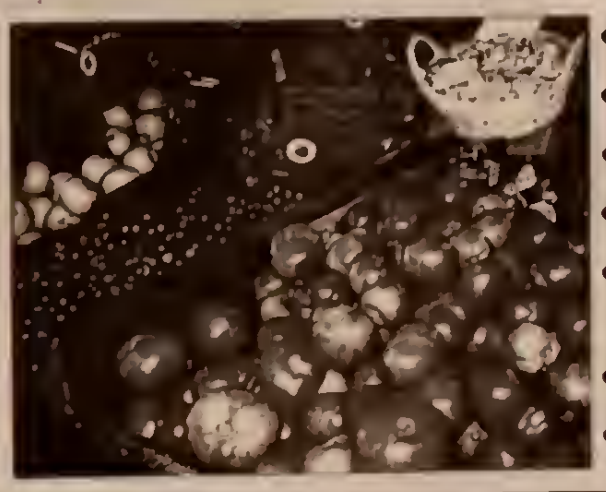

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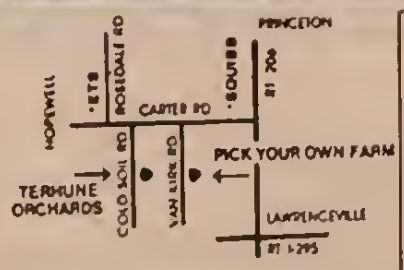

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MAILBOX

Promises, Promises: A Concerned Citizen Questions Propriety of Refinancing Deal

To the Editor:

I have been greatly puzzled by the Borough Council's approval of the transfer of property related to what used to be called the Downtown Project. As a member of Concerned Citizens, I was involved in challenging this project for a number of reasons, whose validity are now becoming evident.

We warned the developers and the Council of the likelihood that water would seep into the basement from the spring below, and presented evidence that the developer was relying on readings of the water level taken after a prolonged period of drought.

It was clear to us that the deal agreed to by the Council gave away the citizens' prime property in the Borough for a pittance: payments in lieu of taxes meant that substantial fixed tax payments would only materialize after some 20 years, when inflation may very well have wiped out the current value of the dollar.

We were assured that the developer could not sell this property before a five year period, at which time he would be free to pocket whatever profit might accrue. Now however, the developer has been given the freedom to "refinance" a significant part of the property by transferring it to a different owner.

We were told again and again that estimates were such as to guarantee that revenue from the garage would amply cover expenses. To quote from a letter in Town Topics by Mayor Reed, "The Borough's far more modest development will be covered by additional parking fees and rents, not by property taxes."

It now appears that the developer's money which had been put in escrow to protect us against any eventualities cannot be touched by the Borough.

Clearly the overburdened taxpayers, many of whom are already fleeing the Borough, will be left holding the bag.

MIRIAM YEVICK
Pelham Street

University Medical Center Applauded For Its Emergency Cardiac Treatment

To the Editor:

Thanks to the Hightstown ambulance staff, Dr. John Mercuro, and the Princeton Hospital emergency angioplasty program, I am alive and well.

On Saturday, July 30, while I was visiting my mother in Hightstown, I became short of breath and expertenced chest pains. In response to the 911 phone call, the Hightstown police and ambulance arrived and were able to administer oxygen, aspirin, nitroglycerin, and an EKG as well as taking my history and keeping me calm on the ride to Princeton Hospital.

The emergency room staff at Princeton Hospital was ready and waiting for me when I arrived. The necessary tests and preparations went smoothly. The staff continued to reassure me and my wife. I was able to benefit from the new program allowing Dr. Mercuro to perform an angioplasty in our community hospital, rather than my being transferred to a larger facility. This meant that the stent was in place less than two and a half hours after the onset of the heart attack symptoms. Since I had a complete blockage of a major artery, a trip to a more distant hospital would not have had so positive an outcome.

The people from Princeton Hospital should be acknowledged for recently adding this life-saving innovative service to their services.

I am indeed fortunate that our local medical facilities are so skilled and innovative.

PAUL GERARD
Talbot Lane

Caution Signs on Hodge Road Neglect To Warn Drivers of Speed Bumps Ahead

Editor's Note: The following is a copy of a letter sent to Borough Council.

To the Editor:

I would like to bring to your attention the matter of the incorrect speed bump caution signs on the south end of Hodge Road. When turning onto Hodge Road from Elm Road, there is a speed bump caution sign indicating a single upcoming speed bump. However, there are two speed bumps that follow.

I am sure I am not the only driver to be misled by these signs. In the evening, when it's dark, one cannot easily determine that a second, unannounced speed bump is in fact present. It has been this way since the signs were installed, and although I am aware of the two speed bumps, many people are not.

The same thing is true when travelling Hodge Road from the other direction; a sign cautions against a single speed bump. This could be fixed by simply adding an "s" to each of the signs.

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BOOKS

SHARPENERS OF THE QUILL: Author of the prize-winning story, "The Glass Dolphin," Pennington resident Shirley Norton attributes some of her success to Princeton author Lauren B. Davis's "Sharpening the Quill" workshop, which she took at the YWCA Princeton last fall. Shown here (from left) Ms. Norton, Ms. Davis, and Susan Kubota, Director of Adult Programs at the YWCA Princeton.

Local Writer Wins Prize After Taking YWCA Class

Pennington resident Shirley Norton has won first prize for her short story, "The Glass Dolphin," in a statewide creative writing contest sponsored by the American Association of University Women (AAUW).

Ms. Norton entered her story after attending Lauren B. Davis's "Sharpening the Quill" workshops at the YWCA Princeton last fall.

"Lauren had some excellent suggestions about where the story really started, and also about the need for descriptions of the characters earlier in the story," said Ms. Norton. She expressed doubt that she would have won if she had submitted it "in its orignal form."

Intended for committed beginners as well as those who have been writing for some time, "Sharpening the Quill" workshops will be held again this fall at the YWCA. Beginning Thursday, September 28, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., the monthly workshops are intended to inspire, guide, and hone the craft of fiction writing. Topics include generating momentum; continuing conflicts; endings; and characterization.

Ms. Davis is the author of *The Rodiont City*, which was short-listed for the Writers Trust of Canada Fiction Award, and *The Stubborn Season*; the short story collection *Rot Medicine & Other Unlikely Curotives*, as well as essays and reviews in numerous literary magazines.

For more information about "Sharpening the Quill" workshops, call (609) 497-2100, ext. 317.

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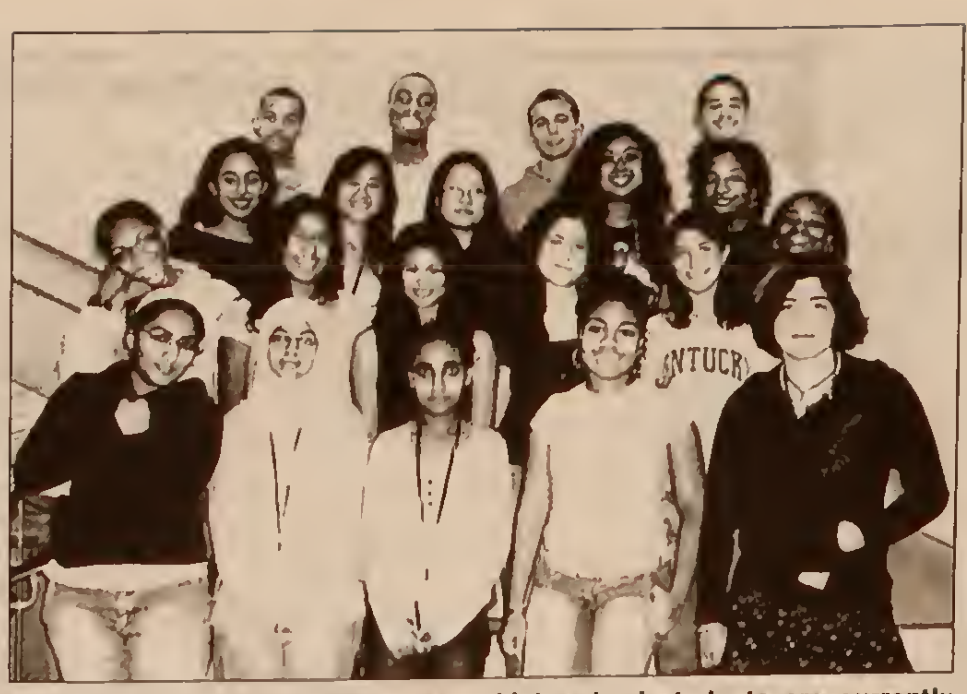

ASPIRING YOUNG WRITERS: Twenty high school students are currently participating in the Princeton University Summer Journalism program. In its fifth year, the program offers students from under resourced urban areas an empowering experience with all expenses paid. The primary goals of the program are to inspire young people to pursue journalism, improve diversity on newspaper staffs, and encourage students to apply to competitive universities that they may not have otherwise considered. Some of the guest speakers include Pulitzer Prize winner, Robin Givhan of the Washington Post, New York Times editorialist, Bob Herbert, New York times sports editor, Tom Jolly, and Emmy nominated field producer for CNN Presents, Brian Rokus. The students will also tour the New York Times, cover a press conference at New York City Hall, and attend a New York Liberty game.

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Barnes & Noble has provided a tentative schedule of events.

On Friday, September 8, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., children's entertainer Miss Amy will celebrate her birthday with songs from her CD's for young children. A special guest at 11:30 a.m. will be Howard Zogott, director of the Cranbury Public Library, who will conduct a special birthday storytime.

At 7 p.m. the same day Scott Prior, "the Snake Man," will present an educational program featuring his live snake collection.

On Saturday, September 9, there will be a Librarian Storytime Festival from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Local children's librarians will read stories in the B&N Children's Department. There will be a special appearance by Little Nut Brown Hare from *Guess How Much I Love You*.

Scheduled to appear are Jan Johnson (Princeton) from 10 to10:15 a.m.; Allison Santos (Princeton) 10:15 to10:30; Little Nut Brown Hare Costume Character at 10:45; Susan Unger (Ewing) at 11 a.m.; Emily Benjamin Vorpe (Plainsboro) at 11:15; Andrea Lenhardt (Hightstown) at 11:45; and Susan Flacks (West Windsor)12:15 p.m. From 11:15 to 11:30 and noon to 12:15, and 12:15 to 1, to be announced.

For further information, contact Ms. Nicholson at Barnes & Noble Princeton, (609) 716-1570.

Literacy Volunteers Seek Tutors for Training Course

Literacy Volunteers in Mercer County, Inc., are looking for volunteer tutors to help Basic Literacy and English as a Second Language students in Mercer County. The fall Tutor Training Course will be held in Room D735 at the ETS Headquarters at the intersection of Carter and Rosedale Roads in Princeton. All classes will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. on the following Wednesday evenings: September 13, 20, and 27, and October 4, 11, 18, and 25.

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2006: Third Girl From the Left
by Martha Southgate
Angela, inspired by blaxploitation fims, goes to Hollywood determined to make it as an actress in 1970. Thirty years, a string of bit parts, and an unexpected pregnancy later she returns home to care for her aging grandmother, along with her teenage daughter who is a budding filmmaker.
A look at the unrecognized people who helped make possible the careers of today's successful African American superstars.

2005: Leaving Cecil Street
by Diane McKinney-Whetstone
Tree-lined Cecil Street in West Philadelphia is a place where everyone knows everyone and is a refuge from the turmoil of the late 1960s for the people who live there, but when a young neighborhood girl's illegal abortion goes tragically wrong, everyone on the street must rally around her.

2004: Hottentot Venus
by Barbara Chase-Riboud
In Paris, 1815, a misshapen South African girl known as the Hottentot Venus, was put on display. She inspired the famous naturalist Baron George Cuvier's theory on race. This Frankenstein-like tale gives a voice to Sarah Baartman, who for more than 200 years was known only as the lady in the glass cage.

2003: Douglass Women
by Jewell Parker Rhodes
A novelization of Frederick Douglass's love life - his 44 year marriage to Anna Murray, who as a free woman of color helped Douglass escape the South, and the intellectual, beautiful German woman Ottillie Assing who Douglass met while promoting the abolitionist cause and became his mistress.

2002: I Wish I Had a Red Dress
by Pearl Cleage
Joyce, a social worker who counsels young black women in a financially strained community center, is set up with Nate, a sexy high school counselor, and sparks begin to fly. Cleage balances the abusive relationships of Joyce's clients with the healthy love between Joyce and Nate.

2001: The Fisher King
by Paule Marshall
In 1949, New Yorker Sonny-Rett Payne, a black jazz pianist, fled to Paris to escape both his family's disapproval and the racism that over-shadowed his career. His success in Europe and his subsequent death form the background of this novel. Decades after Sonny-Rett's death, his eight-year-old Parisian grandson is brought to his old Brooklyn neighborhood to attend a memorial concert in his honor. The child's visit reveals the persistent rivalries within the family and the community that drove his grandfather into exile.

2000: Ain't Nobody's Business If I Do
by Valerie Wilson Wesley
Eva is alone in a big, empty house. Hutch fears he is falling in love with the neglected wife of his philandering best friend. Charley, Eva's law school-bound daughter, forgets her plans for school to become a stand-up comedian. Steven, Hutch's son, harbors a secret that will rock his father's world. And into the mix strolls Isaiah Lonesome, Charley's ex-boyfriend, who will teach Eva to play some lusty new riffs on love's oldest song.

1999: The Healing
by Gayl Jones
Harlan Jane Eagleton tells the story of her transition from beautician in Louisville to business manager for rock star Joan Savage to faith healer.

1998: The River Where Blood is Born
by Sandra Jackson-Opoku
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This collection is located on a display table on the first floor of the library.

New York Scenes and Secrets: A Day in the City

The most impressive work of art I encountered on last week's visit to New York City was the view of the midtown skyline from the Queensboro Bridge. The view familiar to drivers approaching from New Jersey might almost be mistaken for the skyline of another city. Seen from the upper roadway of the Queensboro, Manhattan is literally in your face. You don't tunnel under a river and come out the other side; you drive right down into it. It's like driving into a vision, thanks partly to the Gothic magnitude of a bridge whose spires seem to be limned with gold-leaf. As I drove in, longtime Queens resident Louis Armstrong and his Hot Five were playing "West End Blues," and I was thinking that the Chrysler Building, still the most imposing skyscraper in the city, went up around the time Louis Armstrong was building his stunning solo. In fact, both these classics saw the light in the same year, 1928. On this fine day in August, New York was looking as dry and clear, as sharp and brilliant, as the sound of Louis Armstrong's trumpet.

Access to music is one of the great advantages driving in has over public transportation. Sure, you can have music in your ears on the bus or the train, but it's not the same. There, it's in you, in your head. In your own car, you're in it, it's your element. If there's a delay getting through the Holland, you can listen to John Coltrane playing ballads (no fireworks, you need to stay calm). For me, jazz is and always will be the music that best expresses the spirit and pace of New York.

What Is Going On?

As often as I've driven in to New York, I've rarely needed to use a parking lot or garage. I always go with a pocketful of quarters. Turning right on Seventh Avenue at 18th, I spotted a one-hour meter on the shady side of the street, only a few steps from the entrance to the Rubin Museum of Art, which opened at 150 West 17 Street in October 2004 as, according to the brochure, "the first museum in the Western World dedicated to the art of the Himalayas and surrounding regions." Until last week, I had never heard of the Rubin. One of the pleasures of New York is the fairly certain knowledge that there are hundreds of places you never heard of where you can open a door and walk into another world. You don't have to have a weakness for Himalayan art to enjoy this museum. First there's the subtle, beatific drone of the music, then the spacious mellow hardwood foyer designed by Milton Glaser, and the inviting cafe, but more than anything it's the visitor-sensitive intelligence of the place. You are invited in and guided by simple questions ("Where Is it Made? How Is It Made? What Is It?") that assume you may be new to this form of art. Besides being contained on ordinary exhibit cards, the questions are cast on the floor in letters of reflected light, the first and most prominent being "What is Going On?" The answers provided by the museum are lucid and unpatronizing. You are even invited to play curator at one point by writing in labels of your own for some of the works you've seen.

The second floor introduces you to Himalayan art; the third floor is for "Perfected Beings, Pure Realms." There's a whole floor of "Flying Mystics," and two more featuring a special exhibit, "Holy Madness: Tantric Siddhas." The whole arrangement makes you feel that you've embarked on a pilgrimmage, an idea encouraged by the grand, curvilinear, stainless steel stairways designed by Andrée Putman. Most of the paintings are in mineral pigments on cloth, the colors both subtle and rich, the blacks deeply black. One small, elaborately detailed sculpture turned out to be a 900-year-old "souvenir" a pilgrim had brought back from N.E. India. For me, some other highlights were "Circle of Bliss" (mineral pigment on cloth from eastern Tibet); "Holder of the Wind" (a 15th century embroidered textile of the Buddha); and a large 19th-century Tibetan work, "Wrathful Offerings," which was the piece I spent the most time with, thanks mainly to the playful menagerie at the bottom.

Coming outside, I noticed people enjoying the perfect weather at a sidewalk cafe nearby and wondered how many of them knew Tibet and the Himalayas could be found on the other side of the street. Admission to the Rubin is only $10 ($7 for neighbors, students, seniors, and artists); the museum is closed Tuesdays and free admission is offered on Fridays between 7 and 10 p.m.

DELIRIOUS NEW YORK: This riot of metropolitan imagery is from a 3-D card called a Pop Shot that came in with a book donation to the Princeton Public Library. A note on the other side is addressed to "Dear Chester" and promises him a "fun-filled evening in NYC starting with two tickets to the N.Y. Knicks and of course dinner at a romantic restaurant with your sweetie, C."

East Third Street Secrets

My next destination was a store called Good Records, which is at 179 East Third between Avenue A and Avenue B. For the fanatics forever in search of vinyl buried treasures, Good Records is "infinite riches in a little room," an inviting, relatively new arrival in an area that has seen a number of good record stores come and go (among them the Shrine on 9th, Stew's on 7th). But like just about any block of the city you care to explore, this one is worth a close look. On the north side of the street, for example, many of the doorways and stoops have been decorated with impromptu mosaics, truly primitive work compared to the Himalayan art of the Rubin. In a city where art seems to be in the air you breathe, it seems perfectly natural that someone gathered up bits of broken vases, fragments of china and pottery, and glued them into place, like pieces in a ceramic patchwork quilt. For the entrances to 179 and 189 East Third, sea shells have been added to the mix to help spell out "United We Stand" next to the iconic image of a Manhattan skyscraper. And across the street is one of those small neighborhood parks New York surprises you with, a communal Plant-a-Lot Project built around two weeping willows and beautifully laid out with plants and benches: a shady, sylvan spot in which to eat a lunch bought at a nearby deli. On my way back to the car, I took a look inside the Most Holy Redeemer Church, another pleasant surprise. When you walk through an entryway that seems only slightly more imposing than any other entrance or store front on the street, you don't really expect to find a space with cathedral dimensions, lofty arches beautifully patterned and painted in red against the blue-sky vaulting. The church dates back to 1843 and was built by German Catholics. Quite another sort of secret place can be found at number 189, by the way; it's called the Apocalypse Lounge and is said to feature shadow dancing and live spiders.

'Secrets' in Astoria

What lured me to Queens was the Frank Borzage retrospective at the Museum of the Moving Image, which stands next to the massive Astoria Studios, now a National Historical landmark. Astoria was Hollywood East in the 1920s and 1930s when D.W. Griffith, Rudolph Valentino, Louise Brooks, and the Marx Brothers all made films there. Three-quarters of a century later movies are still shot there, among them *Scent of a Woman* and The Age of Innocence. As for Secrets, the film I came to see, it was made in 1933, *stars Leslie Howard and Mary Pickford,* and only a director as accomplished and sensitive as Borzage could have dug into such unpromising material and come up with riches. The story follows a couple from an amusing courtship (they elope on a unicycle) to an old age in which they stage a second elopement (in a stolen car) to the consternation of their bossy, patronizing children.

A New York Scene

As often happens in New York, especially (for some reason) at film museum screenings, there was a scene. It was played out by a couple in the audience. The husband had just taken his seat in the middle row of the auditorium when his unseen wife began shouting at him all the way from the lobby. She was apparently having a problem with a suitcase too big to bring into the theatre. The husband shouted back, "Leave it at the ticket counter!" After some more shouting, the wife finally made an appearance. Looking even bigger than her voice, she was about to lay into her husband when she noticed that a woman in the same row seemed to be looking askance at her. "Don't shake your head at me, lady!" "I was *not* shaking my head at you!" "Don't tell me that! I guess I know when someone's shaking their head at me." By this time, the audience was laughing, and before you knew it, so was the couple and so was the woman who may or may not have been shaking her head. Pure New York, where there are scenes and secrets and surprises on every street, all the city's "a stage and all the people players."

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'CHECKERED PAST": This work by Lucille Adler can be seen at the Peggy Lewis Gallery in Lambertville, where it is part of a joint exhibit with Natalie Witoshkin set to run through August 31.

Peggy Lewis Gallery Presents Two Artists

The Peggy Lewis Gallery in Lambertville is currently presenting "Visions and Views," an exhibit featuring works by Bucks County artists Natalie Witoshkin and Lucille Adler. The exhibit will run through August 31.

"My art is about the places I travel, where I live, and my family," said Ms. Witoshkin. "It is always personal. I love to capture my grandchildren in playful moments or my garden on a quiet morning."

Working in the New Hope area since 1995, Ms. Witoshkin has employed various media, including wood cuts, watercolors, and oil paintings. She has recently begun studying with James Feehan at the RoseMoon studios.

Lucille Adler turned to art after years of teaching and raising a family. She has painted still lifes, landscapes, portraits, and abstracts. She also studied at the Newark Museum. After moving to Bucks County eleven years ago, she, too, began studying with Mr. Feehan. She has exhibited at the Bristol-Meyer's Squibb Show of Art in Princeton, where she took second prize.

The gallery is located at 6 Lilly Street in Lambertville.

FAMILY FACES: These samples from "Risky Business: 5 Photographers Shoot the Family" are among those in the exhibit opening August 27 at the Hunterdon Museum of Art in Clinton and running through October 29. The exhibit will share a 2 to 4 p.m. September 10 opening reception with the museum's other exhibit, "Natural and Unnatural: imagining Landscape." The works pictured are by (clockwise from left): Marie Horwitz, Sarah Parker-Givens, Jessica Todd Harper, Michele Szoka, and Orlando Richards.

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"GATEWAY": Richard Lennox's oil painting will be among the works on view during the Coryell Gallery's summer exhibition of gallery artists.

"UNTITLED": This detail from an acrylic on vinyl work by Jay Davis is part of "Natural and Unnatural: Imagining Landscape," a group exhibit opening at Clinton's Hunterdon Museum of Art on August 27 and running through October 29. A reception will be held on Sunday, September 10, from 2 to 4 p.m. Gallery hours for both this show and "Risky Business," the other exhibit on view, are Tuesday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For further information, call (908) 735-8415.

"SILHOUETTE": This photograph by Gallery 14 member photographer Rhoda Kassof-Isaac will share the spotlight with the work of another member photographer, Martha Weintraub, as part of Gallery 14's Fifth Anniversary exhibit, "Photographs from the Imagination." The exhibit will run from September 8 to October 8.

Annual Summer Exhibit Hosted by Coryell Gallery

The Coryell Gallery's annual summer exhibition is underway. Scheduled to run through September 24, the exhibit features various artists associated with the gallery over the years. On view will be oils, watercolors, acrylics, and prints on a variety of subjects, including landscapes, cityscapes, and figures.

Among the artists in the show are Joanne Augustine, Gabrielle Baumgartner, Albert L. Bross, Jr., W. Carl Burger, Vincent Ceglia, Marge Chavooshian, Tom Chesar, Harriet Ermentrout, Alexander and Barbara Farnham, Michael Filiplak, Richard Lennox, Lucy Graves McVicker, Pamela Miller, Bernard McManus, Charles R. Ross, Elizabeth Ruggles, Robert Sakson, Joanne Scott, Colette Sexton, Nancy Silvia, George Van Hook, Valerie von Betzen and Barbara Watts. Sculptors Josie Campbell Dellenbaugh, George Douris, Richard Gerster, and Jeanne Pasley will also have works on view. Ann Tsubota and Katherine Hackl will be exhibiting pottery.

A special feature will be works by Charles W. Ward (1900-1962, oil paintings); Harry Leith-Ross (1886-1973, a watercolor); Ranulph Bye (1916-2003, watercolors); Katharine Steele Renninger (1925-2004, casein paintings); and Anne Steele Marsh (1901-1995, wood engravings).

The Coryell Gallery is at the Porkyard, 8 Coryell Street, in Lambertville. Hours are Wednesday through Sunday from 12 noon to 5 p.m. For further information, call Director Janet M. Hunt at (609) 397-0804.

"WATCHING": Martha Weintraub's photograph will be part of Gallery 14's Fifth Anniversary exhibit, "Photographs from the Imagination," on September 8 featuring member photographers, Ms Weintraub and Rhoda Kassof-Isaac.There will be a September 8 reception for the public from 6 to 9 p.m. The exhibit continues through October 8. Meet the photographers, on Sunday, September 10, from 1 to 3 p.m.

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AREA EXHIBITS

A.R.T.space Gallery's summer exhibition, "Hot Hot Hot," featuring works from recent shows, will run from now through early September at the gallery at 53 Hulfish Street in Princeton.

The Arts Council of Princeton's conTEMPORARY Arts Center, located in the Princeton Shopping Center, is presenting a new installation in its gallery. "Dining Room" features the work of artist Kerry Adams and will run through August 19.

The Coryell Gallery at the Porkyard, 8 Coryell Street, in Lambertville, is presenting its annual summer exhibition featuring artists associated with the gallery over the years. It is set to run through September 24.

Gallery 125 at 125 South Warren Street in Trenton is celebrating its second anniversary with an exhibit that will run through September 1.

Gallery 14, 14 Mercer Street in Hopewell, is presenting an exhibit featuring Jim Hilgendorf and Kathleen Connally that will continue through August 27. There will be a closing reception on August 26 from 6 to 9 p.m.

Grounds for Sculpture is presenting an exhibit of kinetic sculpture by George Rickey in the museum building that will run through September 24. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday, from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Grounds for Sculpture is located at 18 Fairgrounds Road, Hamilton. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call (609) 586-0616, or visit www.groundsforsculpture.org.

The Harrison Street Gallery in Frenchtown is hosting an exhibit featuring Will Hübscher through August 27.

The Historical Society of Princeton at Bainbridge House is currently exhibiting, "U.S. Presidents: Famous Faces in Princeton Places," and "The Windmill Turns Slowly: Photographs of the Updike Farm," on view through the summer. Both exhibits will close to the public after Sunday, September 3. A display of photographs chronicling the development of transportation in Princeton is now on view in the front hallway. Museum hours are Tuesday through Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. For more information, call (609) 921-6748.

Howard Gallery of Fine Art in New Hope, Pa. will be hosting a series of "Meet the Artist" receptions every Saturday evening through August 26. The receptions are open to art lovers and collectors alike and will take place from 6 until 10 p.m. or later. A wine tasting experience, "The Art of Fine Wine," featuring wine expert Eric Cooperman of Orlando, Florida, will be held on Saturday August 19, from 7 to 9 p.m.

The Hunterdon Museum of Art is presenting "Works by Toshiko Takaezu." The show will run through August 20. For more information, call (908) 735-8415.

The James A. Michener Art Museum in Doylestown is presenting "Show Business: Irving Berlin's Hollywood" through September 3. "Todd Stone: Witness," an exhibition featuring watercolors made by artist/photographer Todd Stone, who witnessed the September 11 attack from his studio window, will run through November 5. "Diane Burko: Flow," featuring 25 of Ms. Burko's works, including paintings and photographs, will run through October 15. The museum is located at 138 South Pine Street in Doylestown. For more information, call (215) 340-9800.

"Poetry in Design: The Art of Harry Leith-Ross" will be on view in the Della Penna Gallery at the Michener's New Hope museum at 500 Union Square Drive through October 1.

The Jane Vorhees Zimmerli Art Museum is presenting Soviet Propaganda Posters, Part III, through October 1; "Serialities, Part 2: Repetition and Narrative in Soviet Nonconformist Art," through September 17. "In and Around Dvizhenie (The Movement Group)" will be on view in the Dubrow Galleries through October 8. The Zimmerli is located at 71 Hamilton Street on the College Avenue campus of Rutgers University in New Brunswick. For more information, call (732) 932-7237, ext. 610, or visit www.zimmerlimuseum.rutgers.edu.

Johnson & Johnson's World Headquarters Gallery is hosting a new exhibition, "Interactions and Endeavors: Recent Works on Paper," featuring the work of New Jersey artist Nancy Cohen. The exhibit will run from now through August 28.

Morven Museum is presenting "Capturing the Spirit: Virginia Snedeker and the American Scene," its first exhibit of fine art, which will run through November 26.

The Peggy Lewis Gallery in Lambertville is currently presenting "Visions and Views," an exhibit featuring works by Bucks County artists Natalie Witoshkin and Lucille Adler. The exhibit will run through August 31.

Pennswood Village Art Gallery is hosting "Of Ink, Paper and Rusted Wire: Expressions Over Time," an exhibit of the work of Princeton artist Margaret Kennard Johnson. The show will continue through Monday, October 9.

The Plainsboro Public Library is presenting "Totally Trenton, A Modern Look Back," a photography exhibit by Guy Ciarcia, through August 31.

The University Medical Center at Princeton is hosting an exhibit by the Princeton Photography Club that will run through September 13.

CREATING A NEW BOARD GAME: Students participating in an interdisciplinary summer course at Montgomery Center for the Arts designed their own board games. This one is called Money Maker and the designers are (from left) Katy Neusner, 10; Anna Koplik, 13; Paolo Musto, 9; and Lea Jeffers, 11. *(Photo by Holly Freundlich)*

FINDERS KEEPERS: A busy week of summer activities for kids at Montgomery Center for the Arts ended with teams of students and parents competing in a scavenger hunt. Lauren Yoon, 7, is holding her scavenger hunt finding. Space is available for young people ages 4 to 12 for the weeks of August 21 and 28 when students will be exploring themes as diverse as "Creatures and Beasts," "Knights, Maidens, and Dragons," "Mythmaking," and "Nature Adventure." For more information, call (609) 921-3272. *(Photo by Holly Freundlich)*

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MUSIC AND THEATER

"The Birthday Party" To Open New Season At McCarter Theatre

McCarter Theatre will open its 2006-07 theater season with Harold Pinter's The Birthday Party, widely considered one of the great plays of the 20th century. A study of menace and mystery set in a shabby English boarding house, the production will run from September 8 through October 15 in the Berlind Theatre. It will be staged by McCarter - Artistic Director Emily Mann.

When the play premiered in 1958 at London's Lyric Theatre, the critics panned it. "What all this means, only Mr. Pinter knows," wrote the Manchester Guardian. The Times of London called it "puzzling." Harold Hobson, however, the critic for The Sunday Times, missed the opening night but caught a midweek matinee where he found himself part of an audience of seven. Mr. Hobson thought Pinter "the most original, disturbing, and arresting talent in theatrical London," adding that "his jokes are very good" and that the play "has an atmosphere of delicious, impalpable, and hair-raising terror." By the time the review appeared, however, the play had already closed.

When the television version of The Birthday Party aired two years later, in March 1960, it was watched by an audience of 11 million, and The Daily Herald summed up this reversal of fortune with the headline, "Stage Flop Is Big Hit." Now, almost 50 years later, the play is regarded as one of the great black comedies of the 20th Century.

The cast will feature Barbara Bryne, Dennis Creaghan, Allan Corduner, Randall Newsome, Charlotte Parry, and Henry Stram.

Barbara Bryne

Ms. Bryne is a company member of The Guthrie Theater in Minneapolis and a longtime collaborator of Ms. Mann. Their friendship dates back nearly 30 years, to a time when Ms. Mann was a directing apprentice at The Guthrie. "I still remember going up to Barbara after a performance and telling her that I had written a play that would be perfect for her," recalls Ms. Mann. That play, Annulla, An Autobiography, her first, was produced on the Guthrie's second stage with Ms. Bryne in the title role. Ms. Bryne also starred in Ms. Mann's 1980 production of The Glass Menagerie at The Guthrie. Ms. Bryne has been seen on Broadway in Hay Fever and in the original productions of Sunday in the Park with George and Into the Woods.

A veteran of stage and screen, Mr. Corduner is perhaps best known for his role in Mike Leigh's award-winning feature film Topsy-Turvy, which examined the song-writing partnership of Gilbert and Sullivan. Mr. Corduner played Arthur Sullivan. In addition to a leading role in the Tony Award-winning Broadway musical Titonic, his other stage work includes the London and New York productions of Caryl Churchill's play Serious Money. His film credits include Vero Drake, De-Lovely, Moonlight Mile, Joe Gould's Secret, and The Grey Zone.

Mr. Creaghan has been seen on Broadway in 45 Seconds from Broodway and The Elephont Mon, and Off-Broadway in Nicky Silver's Pterodoctyls. His television appearances include Ed, Low & Order, The Proctice, Murder She Wrote, L.A. Low, and Stor Trek: The Next Generotion.

Mr. Newsome recently appeared in the Roundabout Theatre's production of A Touch of the Poet. He has appeared at many regional theaters across the country, including The Repertory Theatre of St. Louis, The Pittsburgh Public Theatre, The Alabama Shakespeare Festival, Florida Stage, The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey, and Two River Theatre.

Ms. Parry made her American debut in the Broadway revival of Tom Stoppard's The Reol Thing, opposite Jennifer Ehle and Stephen Dillane. Her other credits include Cecily in The Importonce of Being Earnest opposite Lynn Redgrave, and Phoebe in Peter Hall's production of As You Like It.

Mr. Stram will be returning to McCarter, where he appeared in The Importance of Being Earnest and Wonderful Tennessee. His recent credits include Michael John LaChiusa's See What I Wanna See at the Public Theater, and Rebecca Gilman's adaptation of Carson McCuller's The Heart is a Lonely Hunter, produced at The Alliance Theater by The Acting Company. He is a recipient of a 1996 Obie Award for Sustained Excellence of Performance and a 2000 Fox Fellowship.

Mr. Pinter's 29 plays include The Caretaker, The Homecoming, and Betroyol, which just closed Sunday at the Hamilton Murray Theater as the final production of the season for Princeton Summer Theater. The playwright was awarded the 2005 Nobel Prize in Literature.

The production team for The Birthday Porty will include Eugene Lee for sets, Jennifer von Mayrhauser for costumes, and Jeff Croiter for lights.

Performances will be Tuesdays through Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. and Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., with Saturday matinees at 3 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. There will be an added performance on September 24 at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets range from $33 to $48 depending on the day and time of the performance, and may be ordered by calling McCarter's ticket office at (609) 258-2787, or by visiting www.mccarter.org. To further its goal of making live theater available and affordable to all members of the community, McCarter offers Public Rush and Pay-What-You Can tickets. Public Rush makes unsold tickets available for half-price on the day of the performance. Two Pay-What-You-Can performances will be offered on September 12 and September 26 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are subject to availability and must be purchased at the McCarter ticket office at 91 University Place.

LEGAL FORUM

What Divorce Issues Can Be Mediated?

All issues involved in a divorce case can be mediated. Perhaps one of the most important issues is custody, or parenting time.

When two people are divorcing, emotions are high. Dealing with issues regarding the children raises the emotional stakes even higher. A mediator can help to de-escalate tensions and discuss the real issues involved in a divorcing couples parenting time. Some of the questions that must be answered are:

- What days/nights will the children reside with each parent?
- What is the children's primary residence for school purposes?
- How will the parties divide holidays/children's school vacations/summer vacation?
- How will they deal with the children's health and education issues in the future?

Once these important issues are agreed upon, the mediation can turn to financial matters. Alimony is always a very difficult issue between divorcing couples since many times, there is not enough money to support two households. Yet, resolution of this issue is key before moving on. In order to do this, both parties must be open and honest with regard to their incomes and expenses.

Income includes salary, bonuses, perquisites of employments and commissions. Once the parties can agree on the incomes they have to work with, they then must look at each of their monthly budgets. This would include housing costs, utilities, maintenance, auto expenses, food, clothing, medical, entertainment, etc. The parties will then assess, with the help of the mediator, the needs of both parties, one party's ability to pay alimony to the other, the standard of living during the marriage, and the length of time that alimony should be paid. If each party's income, after paying or receiving alimony, is not enough to cover all of the expenses, other avenues must be explored such as increasing income, decreasing expenses or using investments to meet the parties' monthly budgets.

Once alimony is determined, child support must be calculated. In New Jersey, we have Child Support Guidelines which makes it fairly easy to determine child support, if combined annual net incomes do not exceed $150,800. If incomes exceed the guidelines amount, then we must look at the reasonable monthly expenses for the children. This is done in the same way as determining budgets for each party in respect to alimony.

Property division is another issue that can be mediated. The marital home, bank accounts, stocks, bonds, stock options, pensions and businesses are all assets to be divided, if accumulated during the marriage. In order to do this, appraisals, bank and stock account statements, pension evaluations and business evaluations are all necessary in order to value the assets of a marriage. Most of this documentation is easy to obtain and will aid the parties in coming up with a fair division of these assets. With regard to those assets that must be evaluated, it is best if the parties can agree on one expert in each field to conduct the evaluation. If one party does not agree with the evaluation conducted, that party may obtain their own appraisal and discussions must then center around the correct value of an asset, given two different evaluations.

In addition to a division of assets, debts must also be distributed. Credit card statements, mortgage pay-off letters and promissory notes are required in order to divide debts. Many times, a party to a divorce action will allege that the other party ran up credit card debt for their own use and therefore he/she should not be responsible for said debt. A line by line review of recent credit card statements should help determine the matter.

As with any divorce, the more information the parties can pull together and agree on, the less expensive and adversarial the process will be. Even in mediation, it is not expected that the parties will easily agree and come to terms in an amicable manner. There are hard decisions to be made and these decisions are generally colored by anger or mistrust.

However, by attempting to remain non-adversarial during this process, the participants will have a better chance of reaching an agreement without going through the litigation process as well as maintaining an on-going relationship – at least for the sake of the children.

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Two World Premieres At Passage Theatre In Upcoming Season

Following its successful 20th anniversary season that included William Mastrosimone's *A Stone Carver*, Passage Theatre has announced a 2006-07 season that will include two world premiere plays by New Jersey-based playwrights, as well as the return of the theatre's popular Solo Flights Festival.

The theatre's continuing commitment to nurturing writers in the development of new plays has become its hallmark in recent years, resulting in the launch of new works by Mr. Mastrosimone, Leslie Ayvazian, Nancy Giles, and Joseph Edward, among others. The upcoming season will include the world premieres of *Second Line* by Teaneck resident Seret Scott, a romantic drama set against the background of the civil rights movement, and *The Deocons*, a new drama by Pulitzer Prize-winner and Trenton resident Yusef Komunyakaa.

The season will begin with Mr. Scott's *Second Line*, October 5 to 29. Spanning a 20-year period of social change, the play follows two middle class African-American college students whose love for each other, forged during the 1960s, is tested. The decade forced the black middle-class to make tough choices about what they would sacrifice and what they would gain by supporting the civil rights movement or taking a stand on the Vietnam War. *Second Line* is that story. Best known as a director, Mr. Scott has worked at Yale Rep, Second Stage, Long Wharf Theatre, and the Old Globe Theatre. Eric Ruffin, whose work has been seen at George Street Playhouse, Luna Stage, and Crossroads Theatre, will direct.

The Solo Flights Festival will return in March 2007, a month of eclectic theatre, music, and dance performances. Two solo theatre performances will anchor the Festival: *Teo for Three: Lody Bird, Pot and Betty*, Emmy Award-winner Elaine Bromka's tour-de-force portrayal of three of America's First Ladies, and *Underneath the Lintel* by Glen Berger, featuring Princeton resident Christopher Coucill as a librarian who solves the mystery surrounding a book suddenly returned 113 years after it is due.

Other special events will include For Lost Words, composer and pianist Vince DiMura's work inspired by Yusef Komunyakaa's Vietnam opus *Dien Coi Dau*, and Yuri Lane's new hip hop performance, *Soundtrack City Chicago*. A performance by the Alborada Spanish Dance Theatre is also scheduled. The Solo Flights Festival will run from March 1 to March 25.

The season will close with the world premiere of *The Deocons*. Commissioned and developed by Passage, the play tells the story of two men who served in the underground civil rights militia known as the Deacons for Defense. Now in their late sixties, the two former best friends meet for dinner after a 35-year silence that began when one ran off with the other's girlfriend. The devious machinations of memory are at the heart of the drama that shows how time changes elements of the truth. The play will run from May 3 to May 27, 2007.

In addition to the mainstage season, Passage will also present workshop performances from the Passage Playwrights Unit, a group of local writers working under Passage's auspices to develop new plays. The group currently includes Passage Associate Artistic Director David L. White, Sonya Aronowitz, Ian August, and Hope Gatto. Workshop performances will take place February 16 to 18.

Passage Theatre productions take place at the Mill Hill Playhouse, at the intersection of Front and Montgomery Streets in Trenton. Season memberships are $70. All performance dates, locations, and productions are subject to change. For more information, call (609) 392-0766 or visit www.passagetheatre.org.

"HONK" IF YOU LIKE ME: Tyler Shamy, left, of Belle Mead, is anything but "Ugly" in the eyes of Penny, played by Julia Schlucter of Malvern, Pa., in the musical comedy "Honk!", which will kick off the fall season at MCCC's Kelsey Theatre in its two-week run beginning Friday, September 8 at 8 p.m. For tickets, call (609) 570-3333.

"Honk!" to Open Season At MCCC's Kelsey Theatre

Honk!, an award-winning musical comedy from Britain, will kick off the new season at Mercer County Community College's Kelsey Theatre when it arrives for a two-week run on Friday, September 8 at 8 p.m. A family entertainment, the show offers universal messages about compassion and acceptance — for people as well as ducks.

Written by British playwrights George Stiles and Anthony Drewe, *Honk!* is based on the Hans Christian Anderson tale, *The Ugly Duckling*. Described as a story "for anyone who has ever felt like honking when the rest of the world goes quack," the show tells the story of a chick named "Ugly" who is driven from the barnyard for being different, but ultimately finds acceptance when his own, special beauty is revealed.

Honk! has long enjoyed popularity with audiences in the United Kingdom, where it was the winner of three awards for Best Musical, including the 2000 Laurence Olivier Award. It features musical numbers, creative choreography, and charming costumes.

The cast of *Honk!*, produced by Playful Theatre Productions, will include Tyler Shamy of Belle Mead as Ugly, Elizabeth Rzasa of Lawrenceville as Ida, Frank Ferrara of Florence as Drake, Michael Schiumo of Clarksburg as Cat, and Julia Schlucter of Malvern, Pa. as Penny.

Dates and show times will be Fridays, September 8 and 15 at 8 p.m.; Saturdays, September 9 and 16 at 2 and 8 p.m., and Sundays, September 10 and 17 at 2 p.m. An opening night reception will follow the September 8 performance to give the audience a chance to meet the cast and crew.

Tickets are $16 for adults, $12 for seniors, and $10 for students and children. To order, call (609) 570-3333 or visit www.kelseytheatre.net.

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Kate Simko

Stuart Graduate Fighting Cancer Through Theatre

Kate Simko of Princeton, a 2002 graduate of the Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart, and Skidmore College in 2006, has turned her love of theatre into an opportunity to increase awareness of breast cancer. Ms. Simko lost her mother, Lainie Simko, to breast cancer two years ago, and wanted to do something special to remember her mother and to support cancer research.

A theater major and a business minor at Skidmore, Ms. Simko developed a senior project that would combine her theatrical interests, business acumen, and personal commitment to a cure for cancer when she staged a youth production of the musical *Winnie the Pooh*. Half of the show's ticket sales went to breast cancer research. She also developed a marketing and business plan for Lainie's Pink Ribbon Players, a national organization designed to bring students around the country together with the common goal of supporting breast cancer research through theater. *Winnie the Pooh* was the inaugural production for the company and featured a cast of a dozen Skidmore College area children 6 to 14 years of age.

The production resulted in a gift of $3,500 to the Komen Foundation in Albany, where the funds will be used to support organizations in the area that help people battling cancer.

Peddie School to Present "The Chronicles of Mary"

The Community Arts Partnership at the Peddie School (CAPPS) will begin its 2006-07 Dramatists Workshop Series with a free staged reading of *The Chronicles of Mory* by Princeton playwright Tad Troilo on Wednesday, September 27 at 7:30 p.m. at Peddie's Swig Arts Center.

The performance is free and open to the public.

Mr. Troilo's plays have been produced throughout the United States and Canada, with productions in New York City and Los Angeles. His short fiction and plays have been published by a variety of literary publications. He is also a songwriter for the local band EarWax.

In *The Chronicles of Mory*, the character Mary sets off to attend to unfinished family business in her preparation to become a mother herself.

Presenting works-in-progress as rehearsed staged readings, the Dramatists Workshop performances invite audience members to participate in discussions with the artists following the readings.

For more information, contact the Swig Arts Center at (609) 490-7550 or visit www.peddie.org/capps.

New Jersey Opera Theater Earns Excellence Citation

In its first year of eligibility, Princeton-based New Jersey Opera Theater (NJOT) has received a Citation of Excellence awarded by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts. The citation, the Council's highest honor, was presented to NJOT and 27 other New Jersey arts organizations at the Council's recent annual meeting in Trenton.

Of the 20 new organizations receiving funding from NJSCA for the first time this year, New Jersey Opera Theater is the only organization also to receive the Citation of Excellence. The Citations recognize arts organizations that "exhibit the highest standards of excellence in artistry, operations, governance, public benefit, and fulfillment of areas of Council priority," according to the Council. In addition to the citation, NJOT received a $32,500 grant to support general operating expenses.

"The Council's support and recognition of NJOT, a young but already accomplished entity, is deeply appreciated," said Robert Teweles, NJOT board chairman. "This honor is a testament to the skills and dedication of the entire NJOT family of performers, educators, staff, volunteers, and friends."

NJOT was founded in 2002 by its artistic director, Scott Altman, and his wife, Lisa. The company's future performances include two semi-staged performances of Giacomo Puccini's *Turandot*, starring soprano Sharon Sweet and Metropolitan Opera tenor Allan Glassman. The first performance will be Sunday, March 4 at McCarter Theatre. The second, on Sunday, March 11, will mark NJOT's debut at the State Theatre in New Brunswick.

For more information about NJOT, visit www.njot.org.

BREWIN' TROUBLE: "The Music Man," starring Jim Lynch, left, as Professor Harold Hill and Tressa McCallister as Marian Paroo, will complete its two-week run this Sunday, August 20, at the Bucks County Playhouse in New Hope, Pa. Remaining performances are Wednesday and Thursday at 2 and 8 p.m., Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 4 and 8 p.m., and Sunday at 2 p.m. With book, music, and lyrics by Meredith Wilson, the popular musical tells the story of huckster Hill, who arrives in the town of River City, Iowa, planning to swindle the citizens by suggesting they buy band instruments and uniforms, knowing he has no intentions of providing them. He has a change of heart, however, when he meets and falls for Ms. Paroo, the town librarian. For information and reservations, call (215) 862-2041. *(Photo by Aimee Millet)*

"LOMAX THE SONGHUNTER": The Princeton Public Library recently screened a series of documentary films culled from public television's P.O.V. series. This is one that they missed, but it's well worth watching on PBS next Tuesday, August 22, at 10 p.m.

Alan Lomax, seen here listening to playback in Galax, VA, in August 1959, devoted his life to recording the world's folk music. In the belief that it would disappear with the rise of the modern music industry, Lomax was driven to record the voices of authentic folk singers and folk songs. He traveled to remote villages in the mountains of Spain and Italy to record farmers, shepherds, and weavers. Closer to home, he captured some of the quintessential music of America: voices from the cotton fields, rock quarries, and prisons.

"Lomax the Songhunter," a documentary film by the young Dutch filmmaker Rogier Kappers, combines interviews with the likes of Pete Seeger, archival recordings of Woody Guthrie and Leadbelly, and footage of settings similar to those where Lomax set up his rudimentary recording gear. The one-hour film follows the songhunter's 60-year journey from the Texas prisons to the Scottish Highlands. Check it out on PBS next Tuesday. *(Photo by Shirley Collins, courtesy of the Alan Lomax Archive)*

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BELL MAN: Princeton University's Robin Austin will be one of four carillonneurs performing at Longwood Gardens, in Kennett Square, Pa., this fall in a series of Sunday carillon concerts that run September 10 through October 1. The concerts are included in the general admission to the Gardens.

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University's Carillonneur To Perform at Longwood

Carillonneur Robin Austin of Princeton University will perform a carillon concert at Longwood Gardens, in Kennett Square, Pa., on Sunday, October 1. The concert will be one of four planned on consecutive Sundays from September 10 to October 1 featuring Longwood's 62-bell carillon.

The 2:30 p.m. concerts, by four East Coast carillonneurs, are part of Longwood Gardens' annual GardenFest celebration. Tours of the Chimes Tower and an opportunity to meet the carillonneur will follow each performance.

Mr. Austin was appointed Princeton University's carillonneur in 1993 and gave the inaugural concert on Longwood's instrument in 2001. A graduate of West Chester University (B.A.) and Bryn Mawr College (M.S.S.), he lives in Philadelphia where he serves as executive director of development at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. He also studies piano with Charles Engel at Settlement Music School.

The Longwood Gardens bells vary from 6 feet in diameter and 6,908 pounds to 6 inches in diameter and 20 pounds. The Chimes Tower offers a bird's eye view of the Gardens.

The first concert in the carillon series, on Sunday, September 10, will be presented by David Maker, who regularly performs at the University of Connecticut's Austin Cornelius Dunham Carillon at the Storrs Congregational Church. Mr. Maker is the associate head of the Music Department at the University of Connecticut, where he teaches music theory.

James W. Smith, organist and choirmaster at Mercersburg Academy since 1965, will perform on September 17. Mr. Smith's carillon career began in 1981 when he became responsible for the Swoope Carillon following the retirement of his predecessor. After retiring from teaching in 2001, he received the Alumni Council Award for service and accomplishment at the Academy.

On Sunday, September 24, Stephen Schreiber will play music from the Baroque period, American folk songs, love songs, and special compositions for carillon. A Temple University alumnus, Mr. Schreiber has been extensively involved as a church musician in the greater Philadelphia area, and since 1997 has been organist-choirmaster at Trinity Episcopal Church in Ambler, Pa.

All carillon concerts are included in general Gardens admission of $14 for adults, reduced rates for children. Longwood Gardens is located on U.S. Route 1, three miles northeast of Kennett Square, 30 miles west of Philadelphia.

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JAZZ AT THE MANSION: The "Fall Jazz Lineup" at the Trenton City Museum at Ellarslie Mansion in Cadwalader Park will kick off on Friday, September 29 at 7 p.m. with a concert by The Eric Mintel Quartet. The Quartet — from left, pianist Eric Mintel, bassist Dave Antonow, alto saxophonist Nelson Hill, and drummer Dave Mohn — has been featured on "Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz" and performs regularly at The Kennedy Center in Washington D.C., as well as the Trenton Marriott. Tickets are $10 for museum members, $15 for non-members, and include complimentary wine and hors d'oeuvres. To order, call (609) 989-1191. *(Photo by Wiley Works Photos)*

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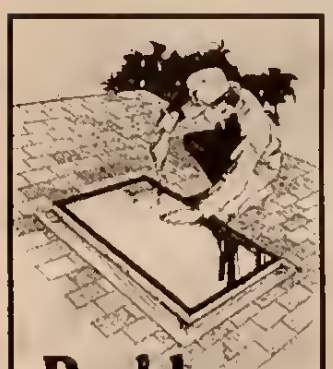

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ENCORE PERFORMANCE: With tickets for the Lyle Lovett and His Large Band concert on Sunday, September 17 having sold out quickly, McCarter Theatre announced this week that it has added a second concert on Monday, September 18 at 7:30 p.m. Thanks to such acclaimed albums as "Pontiac," "I Love Everybody," and "The Road to Ensenada," Mr. Lovett's appeal has lasted nearly two decades. The Texas-born singer-songwriter has won four Grammy Awards, including Best Country Album, Best Pop Vocal Collaboration, and Best Country Male Vocal. Tickets at $50, $55, and $60 may be ordered by calling the McCarter box office at (609) 258-2787.

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CINEMA REVIEW — World Trade Center

Oliver Stone Revisits 9/11 in a Tribute to Two Survivors

Oliver Stone has never been one to shrink from controversy. The iconoclastic filmmaker has tackled sensitive subjects including President Nixon, conspiracy theories about Kennedy, Vietnam (*Platoon*), the Vietnam anti-war movement (*Born on the Fourth of July*), U.S. influence in Central America (*Solvador*), the Arab-Israel conflict (*Persono Non Grota*), and Cuba (*Commandante*).

Despite the controversy generated by the anti-establishment stance of most of his pictures, Stone has received critical acclaim for his efforts, and has received 11 Academy Award nominations and awards for *Born on the Fourth of July*, *Platoon* and *Midnight Express*. His pictures have also been financially successful, grossing more than half a billion dollars domestically.

World Trade Center is a remarkable departure for Stone, a change of pace more likely to unite America than divide it. Opting to exercise restraint rather than place blame, the film never even hints at any of the governmental and airline industry failings that were documented by the 9/11 Commission Report. Stone also avoids graphic depictions of the horrors which unfolded in lower Manhattan on September 11, allowing the camera to linger on the carnage only long enough to convey hints of what we can easily read in the faces of the first responders, passersby, and fleeing office workers.

The only argument detractors have been able to muster against this tribute to the two survivors is that it's premature to release a movie about the tragedy. However, 9/11 has already been the subject of docudramas such as *Let's Roll: The Story of Flight 93 (2002)*, *The Homburg Cell (2004)*, *The Flight That Fought Back (2005)*, *Flight 93 (2006)*, and *United 93 (2006)*.

World Trade Center is an intimate story which focuses on the ordeal of two policemen trapped in the rubble and the emotional anguish endured by their loved ones anxiously awaiting for word from the rescuers about the pair's fate.

Sergeant John McLoughlin (Nicolas Cage), a 21-year veteran of the Port Authority Police Department, and rookie Will Jimeno (Michael Pena) were part of a team of officers that rushed to the Trade Center soon after the first plane had hit. They were inside the first tower when it collapsed and Jimeno was pinned by a concrete slab underneath 20-feet of debris and McLoughlin was below him.

While waiting and hoping to be rescued, John and Will rely on each other, prayer, and thoughts of their families to get them through the ordeal. Meanwhile, we see the emotional strain being endured by their wives and children. Allison Jimeno (Maggie Gyllenhaal) is five months pregnant and trying to figure out how to tell her four year-old daughter (Tiffany Romano) that her father might not be coming home again. Similarly, Donna McLoughlin (Maria Bello) has her hands full as she tries to comfort her four children.

WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE HEROES?: Without regard to their personal safety, two New York City policemen, John McLoughlin (Nicholas Cage, right front) and Will Jimeno (Michael Peña, left front), together with their comrades, unhesitatingly volunteer to rescue victims caught in the disaster caused by the September 11 terrorist attack.

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As the hours drag on a sense of dread slowly descends over the city as it becomes clear that very few people have survived the collapse of the towers. Stone maintains the tension cinematically by cutting back-and-forth between scenes of the rapidly fading trapped pair and their families, who are losing hope that their loved ones are still alive.

Finally, Dave Karnes (Michael Shannon), an ex-Marine sergeant, hears Jimeno's faint tapping and immediately calls for help. After several tense moments, John and Will are rescued and taken to the hospital where they are joyfully and tearfully reunited with their wives.

A tenderhearted tearjerker that doesn't once hit a false note, *World Trade Center* may be the best movie Oliver Stone has ever made.

Excellent (★★★★). Rated PG-13 for profanity, disturbing images, and intense emotional content. Running time: 125 minutes. Studio: Paramount Pictures.

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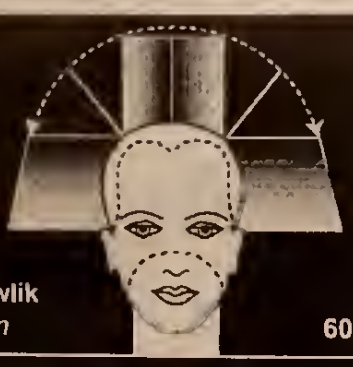
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AT THE CINEMA

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The Ant Bully (PG for crude humor and action sequences). Animated morality play about a 10-year-old boy (Zach Tyler) who learns some important lessons about friendship and tolerance when he finds himself magically shrunk to the size of an insect after he deliberately flooded an ant hill with his water gun. Voice cast includes Nicolas Cage, Paul Giamatti, Julia Roberts, Meryl Streep, Regina King and Ricardo Montalban.

Barnyard (PG for rude humor and scenes of mild peril). Family-oriented animated feature about a motley collection of mischievous farm animals led by a carefree cow (Kevin James) who enjoys playing tricks on humans till a crisis arrives calling for him to summon up the courage to act responsibly. With voiceovers by Wanda Sykes, Courteney Cox, Danny Glover, Sam Elliott, Andie MacDowell, and director Steve Oedekerk.

Bayntan Beach Club (Unrated). Romantic comedy, set at a retirement community in Florida, revolves around assorted liaisons among a group of senior citizens whose lives intersect at a bereavement group designed to provide emotional support for anyone who's lost a loved one. Ensemble cast includes Dyan Cannon, Sally Kellerman, Michael Nouri, Joseph Bologna, and Brenda Vaccaro.

The Descent (R for profanity and gruesome violence). Hair-raising horror film about six female friends whose spelunking expedition turns into a never ending nightmare when a rockslide traps them underground with a horde of blind, bloodthirsty, cave-dwelling creatures.

The Devil Wears Prada (PG-13 for sensuality). Anne Hathaway stars opposite Meryl Streep in this adaptation of the best seller of the same name about a small-town girl just out of college who lands a job in New York City as an assistant to a very demanding, high-powered magazine editor.

Heading Sauth (Unrated). Set in Haiti during the seventies, this romance drama unfolds against the backdrop of the political instability of the Baby Doc Duvalier regime. Steamy front story revolves around three middle-aged tourists (Charlotte Rampling, Karen Young, and Louise Portal) vacationing on the poverty-stricken island nation with the express purpose of seducing nubile natives. In French and English with subtitles.

An Incanvenient Truth (Unrated). Al Gore presents a "Don't say I didn't warn you" documentary about the dire prospects for the planet as a consequence of continued unchecked global warming.

Jahn Tucker Must Die (PG-13 for sex and expletives). Revenge comedy about a womanizing playboy (Jesse Metcalfe) who gets what's coming to him when three of his ex-girlfriends (Ashanti, Sophia Bush, and Brittany Snow) team up to turn the tables on him by talking the new girl in town into breaking his heart.

Little Miss Sunshine (R for sex, expletives, and drug use). Road comedy about a dysfunctional family's ordeal driving by VW bus from Albuquerque, NM to Redondo Beach, CA in order to enter their chubby, bespectacled seven year-old (Abigail Breslin) in a beauty pageant. Cast includes Greg Kinnear and Toni Collette as her doting parents, Alan Arkin as her heroin-snorting grandpa, Steve Carrell as her suicidal uncle, and Paul Dano as her mute brother.

Material Girls (PG for mild epithets and rude humor). Hilary and Haylie Duff star as heiresses to a cosmetic fortune who get a reality check when a financial scandal suddenly strips them of all their wealth. With Anjelica Huston, Brent Spiner, Lukas Haas, Obba Babatundé, Maria Conchita Alonzo, and Olympic sprinter Carl Lewis.

Miami Vice (R for sex, expletives, and violence). Colin Farrell and Jamie Foxx co-star in the screen adaptation of the TV-series about a couple of cool crime-fighting detectives who walk a fine ethical line wooing women while working undercover to crack a drug cartel responsible for several murders in South Florida.

Manster Hause (PG for scary images, mature themes, crude humor, and profanity). CGI-animated cartoon about three kids who have a hard time convincing adults that the spooky old Victorian mansion up the block is actually a living, breathing monster. Featuring voice work by Steve Buscemi, Maggie Gyllenhaal, Nick Cannon, Jason Lee, Kathleen Turner, Fred Willard, Catherine O'Hara, and Kevin James.

The Night Listener (R for profanity and sexual content). Psychological thriller, adapted from the novel of the same name, stars Robin Williams as a loquacious, gay, nationally syndicated radio talk show host recently abandoned by his HIV positive lifemate, who ventures from New York City to a desolate area of Wisconsin to rendezvous with his biggest fan, a 14 year-old boy (Rory Culkin) who claims to have been a victim of incest, rape, and sexual slavery at the hands of his mom and her series of sleazy boyfriends. With Toni Collette, Sandra Oh, and Joe Morton.

Pirates af the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest (PG-13 for frightening images and violence). Johnny Depp, Keira Knightley, and company return for another round of hijinks on the high seas. This time out Captain Jack finds himself trapped in a spooky web of supernatural intrigue, owing a debt of servitude and eternal damnation to Davy Jones.

Pulse (R for violent and disturbing images). Wes Craven wrote the script for this horror film about an evil computer virus which proceeds to terrorize some cute college coeds after the suspicious suicide of their hacker pal (Jonathan Tucker) who might have warned the world about this impending wireless menace.

Scaap (PG-13 for sexual content). Woody Allen wrote, directed, and appears in this romantic comedy about an American journalism student (Scarlett Johansson) vacationing in London who falls in love with a British aristocrat (Hugh Jackman) while attempting to crack the case of the Tarot Card Killer with help of an aging magician known as Sid "Splendini" Waterman (Allen).

Snakes an a Plane (R for sex, expletives, drug use, terror, and violence). Disaster film/crime saga pits a drug kingpin about to go on trial against an FBI agent (Samuel L. Jackson) escorting an eyewitness to court on a flight from Hawaii to L.A. All hell breaks loose at 30,000 feet over the Pacific when a ruthless assassin releases hundreds of poisonous snakes sending passengers and crew into an all-out panic.

Step Up (PG-13 for mature themes, brief violence, and sexual innuendo). Channing Tatum and Jenna Dewan co-star in this love across the tracks romance about a prima ballerina from a privileged suburban background who finds the perfect partner in a break dancer who perfected his moves on the streets of Baltimore. Supporting cast includes Oscar-nominee Rachel Griffiths and rapper Heavy D (sans "The Boyz").

Talladega Nights (PG-13 for off-color humor, profanity, violence, and drug references). NASCAR action comedy featuring Will Ferrell as a race car daredevil who teams up with his best friend (John C. Reilly) to take on the flamboyant, European formula one champion (Sacha Baron Cohen) who has arrived from France with every intention of becoming America's stock car king.

Wha Killed the Electric Car? (PG for mild epithets). Documentary examines the role of the American auto industry in the elimination of the pollution free, electric automobile in order to ensure the country's continued dependence on cars with internal combustion engine which consume copious quantities of gasoline.

World Trade Center (PG-13 for profanity, disturbing images, and intense and emotional content). Oliver Stone's take on 9/11 approaches the terrorist attacks from the perspective of the two New York City transit policemen (Nicolas Cage and Michael Peña) who were the last people pulled alive from the wreckage at Ground Zero. Cast includes Maggie Gyllenhaal, Stephen Dorff, Maria Bello, William Mapother, and Nicholas Turturro.

Yau, Me and Dupree (PG-13 for sexual references and off-color humor). Comedy about a couple of newlyweds (Matt Dillon and Kate Hudson) who come to regret allowing their best man (Owen Wilson) to crash on their couch when he turns into the proverbial guest that won't leave. With Michael Douglas and Amanda Detmer.

Zaom (PG for brief rude humor, mild epithets, and action). Tim Allen stars in this family comedy as a retired superhero coaxed out of retirement to train a ragtag team of private school kids as the next generation of intrepid crusaders. With Chevy Chase, Courteney Cox, Rip Torn, and Cornelia Guest.

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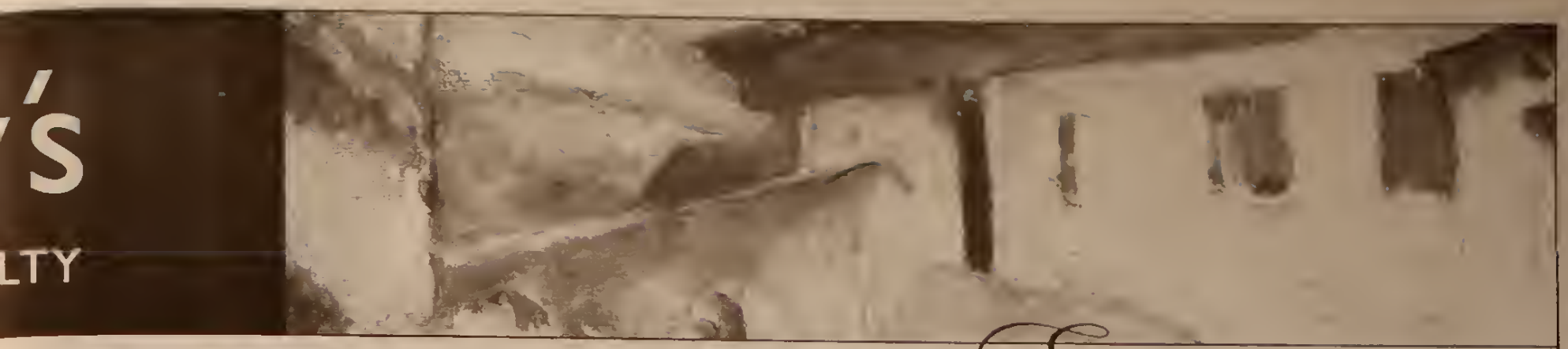

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PET PANACHE: "People love our free home and office delivery of large bags and full cases of premium brand cans. We also now have a drive-through pick-up service at the back of the store," says Will Hassett, owner of Pawtisserie Princeton, the pet emporium and bakery, featuring natural food for dogs and cats. He stands beside the store's special new van.

IT'S NEW To Us

It is almost four months since Will Hassett moved his popular Pawtisserie Princeton pet emporium from Witherspoon Street to Palmer Square, and things couldn't be better.

"We moved from 450 square feet to nearly triple that space, and it enables us to have better displays and diversify more," explains Mr. Hassett.

Pawtisserie Princeton has been a success from the time it opened four years ago, he adds. A pet emporium and bakery featuring high quality all-natural dog and cat food, fresh-baked natural biscuit treats, as well as pet supplies and pet-related items, it has a loyal following.

"We are very customer service-oriented, and we have tremendous customer loyalty," says Mr. Hassett. "We are so grateful. We would be nowhere without our customers."

Chance Visit

Mr. Hassett grew up with pets and has always loved animals but initially his career was in the corporate world, in telecommunications. A chance visit to a pet store when he and his wife were living in California turned everything around.

"I came upon a pet store unlike any other, with little baked biscuit treats for dogs," he recalls. "The idea was tremendous. The concept of having a place like that, baking things for dogs right on the premises, was so much fun. I loved the idea, and it never left me."

Moving back east, he decided to pursue his dream. "I had a successful career going, but I put together a business plan for a proposed store.

"We wanted the proper environment, and we thought Princeton was the right place. Both my wife Afton and I had experience in interior design work, and as the plan evolved, this was important — the way we designed the look of the store and displayed our merchandise. We designed the space in a way to make people say WOW! We put the sounds of contemporary music and jazz, fresh scents and flowers, great displays, and great merchandizing all together."

Princeton proved to be the right place. A pet-loving community, it is home to residents who want the best for their animal companions and appreciate the high quality both of products and service at Pawtisserie.

"Pets are so much a part of the family today, more than ever," points out Mr. Hassett. "The pet industry is booming. The numbers for pet food, supplies, vets, groomers, etc. rose from $18 billion in 1991 to nearly $40 billion today. So many people enjoy the companionship of pets and the way pets have the ability to share love in a non-judgmental way."

Leading Lines

What customers find at Pawtisserie is a charming, attractive shop filled with an array of items from colorful cat and dog bowls, leashes, collars, coats, and bedding to pet-related items for their humans, including books, mugs, clothing, coasters, and cards.

Several leading lines of premium brands of natural dog and cat food include Wellness, Solid Gold, Innova, Breeder's Choice, and Merrick's.

In addition, fresh baked treats (biscuits, cakes, cupcakes) are a specialty. Biscuits made of top-of-the-line ingredients, including chicken, meat (bison), and fish, are offered in fun shapes and sizes, as are the "Sweet Treats" (healthy without refined sugar), such as "Peanut Butter Pleasures," and vegetarian specials, including banana shortbreads and muffins made from bananas, applesauce, maple syrup, and walnuts. Your pet's sweet tooth is clearly not neglected.

And proportions are a consideration too. There are some pudgy pets out there, and Mr. Hassett points out that all Pawtisserie's recipes have been checked with veterinarians. "We have come up with human-grade ingredients for animal treats. We checked with local vets to make sure everything is safe and healthy for dogs and cats.

"Also, our proportions are measured by feed laboratories, and we show the crude content. In addition, it's important to know your dog or cat and give the correct proportion of food combined with exercise. And from a health standpoint, if you have a kitten or puppy, it's very good to start them with all-natural food."

Mr. Hassett is proud of Pawtisserie's emphasis on knowledgeable customer service. "People who work here have to be very knowledgeable about animals and about our food. We want to help educate people and guide customers to the right pet nutrition."

Nice Split

"We are a nice split between baked treats and food, pet supplies and items for humans," he adds. "Bedding is one of our biggest sellers, and we have a great selection anywhere from $50 to $500, including custom with choice of fabric."

Another popular product is the carrier on wheels for small dogs or cats, which conforms to airline specifications for under-seat storage.

Pawtisserie also offers Pet Portraits by photographers and artists. "We have a photographer or artists who work in oil, charcoal, or ink come in and do a portrait," says Mr. Hassett. "This is a way to preserve the memory of a pet forever."

Pawtisserie continues to evolve, offering more choices and diversification, he adds. "We have now established a wholesale business, selling our treats to other businesses. In addition, we are looking to collaborate with our neighbors. For example, we will be providing ice yogurt for dogs, made by Bent Spoon and sold at Pawtisserie.

"We have also aligned ourselves with SAVE and will have special pet adoption days. We will also have Pet Parades for the holidays.

"We need to separate ourselves from being run-of-the-mill, and I constantly search websites in Europe to find things that are different," continues Mr. Hassett. "I am always thinking of ways to enhance the business with diverse marketing plans."

In addition to the merchandise, Mr. Hassett is especially pleased with Pawtisserie's atmosphere. "This is a communal place to be. People come in, often with their pets, spend time, and just talk about their pets. You can't place a value on that. It is my goal and biggest wish to continue that, and for Pawtisserie to be permanently woven into the fabric of the town."

Pawtisserie offers gift certificates and seasonal sales. It is open Monday through Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday and Saturday until 8:30 p.m., Sunday 12 to 5 p.m. 609-921-7387. Website: www.pawtisserie.com.

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Selection of Hand-crafted Jewelry On Display at Tomorrow's Heirlooms

ONE-OF-A-KIND: "I look forward to doing this work every day, and I love people's reaction to the beauty of the store, and I love doing the carving." John Miller, jewelry designer and lapidary, is shown with his carving of "Double Tigers," made from petrified palm wood, millions of years old. In the background is a display of his unique carvings.

"Come into the shop and enjoy our presentation of nature's beauty!"

John Miller, co-owner with his wife, Peggy Milstein, of Tomorrow's Heirlooms at 2 Chambers Street, is pleased to invite customers in to see his collection of unique, hand-crafted jewelry and carvings.

"We set up the store like a museum," he explains. "Jewelry, rock and crystal specimens, carvings, bookends, rock lamps, etc. are all on display. You can come in and spend three hours looking, then come back the next day and swear there is a whole new addition to the selection. There are so many things to see."

After a 22-year corporate career, including as senior vice president, Mr. Miller opened Tomorrow's Heirlooms a year and a half ago. "I always wanted to have a shop in Princeton," he explains. "Our jewelry, which is unique, requires a depth of sophistication and education. I have been very pleased here. People appreciate what we have. Every piece is handcrafted from beginning to end. I cut the stone, polish it, and do gold and silver-smithing. My wife Peggy and I do everything."

Dinosaur Bone

Before he became a professional jewelry designer, lapidary (stone cutter and polisher), silversmith and goldsmith, Mr. Miller enjoyed working in the field as a hobby. "I have always loved it. When I was 14, on a camping trip in California, I found a hip bone of a dinosaur. It was certified, and I was asked if I wanted to cut and polish it."

From then on collecting rocks and gemstones was a passion. "I fell in love with it," he says. "It was a hobby all my life, and then when my wife and I were still working in the corporate field, we exhibited our jewelry at art shows. It was all one-of-a-kind, and it turned out we had a great following. People from Boston, Long Island, Connecticut, New York, etc."

One thing led to another, and tired of the corporate world, the Millers opened locations at Bridgewater Mall and The Marketfair. Their work became increasingly popular with customers, many of whom were regulars and who often asked for custom designs.

"Seventy percent of the business is repeat," reports Mr. Miller, and there are memorable stories. "One time, about 20 years ago, a guy came in just before Christmas and said 'I'll take seven necklaces.' He needed them for his mother, wife, daughter, mother-in-law, sister, etc. I said, 'Tell me about them, and I'll help you choose something they'd like.' It turned out one of his daughters was a forest ranger. So, we settled on the necklaces, and they were a big hit. He's from Seattle, and has come back a couple of times a year ever since."

Mirror Image

What customers find so appealing about the jewelry at Today's Heirlooms is the unique craftsmanship and unusual stones. "They are semi-precious stones, but there are several plateaus of value," explains Mr. Miller. "We have 200 different semi-precious stones available, including a lot of exotic stones, such as sugalite, rhodochrosite, and azurite. Then there is the classic lapis, amethyst, jade, opal, and each is unique."

An example of some of Mr. Miller's unusual pieces is his mirror image stone cutting. "I'll start with a patterned stone and cut and shape it. Then, I'll split it in half, and it opens like a book, becoming a matched pair for earrings, cufflinks, or his and her pendants."

Mr. Miller travels all over the world to find stones, and then he will cut and shape them into a beautiful one-of-a-kind necklace, pin, bracelet, or pair of earrings.

After cutting the stone, he polishes it, which includes sanding, primary polishing and final polishing. "Every step must be complete before you go onto the next one," he explains. "Everything is done by hand in our studio."

The selection at Tomorrows Heirloom is overflowing with gorgeously-colored pieces with infinite variation. Stones, such as rutilated quartz, dentrites (with millions of fossilized single-celled plants within), kyanite, citrine, fluorite, tourmaline, and chrysoprase are displayed in a dazzling array of splendor. Some of the most striking pieces are pictured stones, which Mr. Miller has meticulously cut to bring out the natural images already in the raw stone.

"We offer absolutely first-quality work and absolutely first-quality stones," he says. "Our goal was to have the largest selection of that on the east coast. We're the only rock shop, lapidary, jewelry design and jewelry repair shop in the area."

Great Gifts

In addition to the jewelry, there are wonderful animal and bird carvings created by Mr. Miller, as well as rock lamps and bookends, and many rock samples.

"I encourage teachers to bring classes here, and we'll talk about rocks," he says. "I love talking about rocks! We really are set up like a museum. People can look all they want and also touch. They can pick up the rocks and examine them. This is a great place for kids interested in nature. They can get great gifts here."

"We have a nice price range," he adds. "You can get a unique gift for someone hard to buy for and get something at a reasonable price, such as earrings from $20. You can also get something spectacular for a lot more. There is something for everyone's pocketbook.

"We also have a Lady' Shoppers Club. If their combined purchase amounts to $500, we will either give them a 10 percent discount, or send a check to the charity of their choice.

"My reward is how much people appreciate the beauty of what they find here," says Mr. Miller. "We are presenting nature's beauty in a form people like and enjoy. And what I also like is that we are preserving for people a non-replenishable resource, something that took millions of years to create."

Tomorrow's Heirlooms offers gift certificates and is open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. seven days. 609-921-9440. Website: www.tomorrowsheirloomsnj.com.

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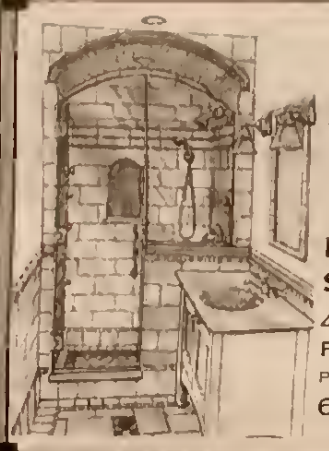

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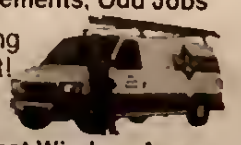

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After Turning Heads in PU Hockey Debut, Dineen Looks to Make U.S. U-22 Squad

It's easy for a defenseman in ice hockey to slip under the radar.

A good defender's stock in trade centers on thwarting opponents by any means possible, including body positioning, clearing pucks, and throwing one's body to the ice to block a shot.

While performing such thankless tasks earns the respect of teammates and the praise of coaches, it doesn't attract the glamour attached to making a sweet assist or banging home a goal.

As a freshman defenseman on the Princeton University women's hockey team last winter, Katherine Dineen didn't figure to attract much attention as she started her college career.

But turning heads with her speedy, solid work on the blue line, Dineen made the ECAC Hockey League's All-Rookie team as she helped Princeton go 21-8-4 and advance to the NCAA quarterfinals for the first time in program history.

This week, Dineen heads to the U.S.A. Hockey National Women's Hockey Festival in Lake Placid, N.Y. The festival will serve as the try-out for the U.S. Under-22 team which will play a three-game series against Canada in Ottawa, Ontario from August 24-27.

SPEED SKATER: Princeton University hockey star Ketherine Dineen flies up the ice in action last winter. Dineen produced a superb freshman season for the Tigers in 2005-06, making the ECAC Hockey League's All-Rookie team as she helped Princeton go 21-8-4 and advance to the NCAA quarterfinals for the first time in program history. This week, Dineen heads to the U.S.A. Hockey National Women's Hockey Festival in Lake Placid, N.Y. The festival will serve as the try-out for the U.S. Under-22 team which will play a three-game series against Canada in Ottawa, Ontario from August 24-27. *(Photo by Bill Allen)*

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The 5'5 Dineen is surprised at the recognition she earned during her debut season at Princeton. "It was a great compliment I wasn't expecting," said Dineen, a native of St. Paul, Minn. "It's great to know that you're being noticed and appreciated. It's harder for defensive players to get noticed."

Dineen's success is the product of a lifelong love of the game. "My older brother started playing the game when he was three," recalled Dineen.

"When he was five and I was three I started hanging out at the rink. I picked it up from my brother and I really liked it. It's not as unusual as it may seem to start playing that young; everybody plays in Minnesota."

Dineen's adjustment to college hockey was eased by the unusually tight camaraderie on the Princeton squad.

"It was chemistry from the start," said Dineen, who chipped in three goals and fours assists last winter including two power play goals and a game-winner.

"I've never been on any other team where everybody had the same goal; it really helped me as a freshman coming in. The determination and focus made it easy for me."

Dineen acknowledged that she had to adjust when it came to some of the technical aspects of the game. "I would say the power play and penalty killing," explained Dineen, when asked what were the biggest on-ice challenges in moving up to the college game.

"You're expected to convert on the power play and defend when you're shorthanded. We have plays here; in high school there were no set plays for those situations, you just went out and did your best."

Dineen, for her part, brought some strengths into the mix. "I see the ice really well," asserted Dineen. "I'm quick off the start; I have good acceleration."

The team's special unity also helped accelerate Dineen's adjustment to Princeton off-the-ice. "We all help each other off the ice," said Dineen. "It's a high stress environment; there's so much homework. I had to work on time management. You have practice in the morning or evening and classes in between and you have to eat.

It was a special treat for Dineen to end her freshman year playing at Minnesota in the NCAA quarters, notwithstanding the fact that Princeton dropped a 4-0 decision to end its season.

"It was exciting and unexpected," said Dineen, who attended the Visitation School and played on the Minnesota Thoroughbred club team throughout her high school years.

"It was great to get to play in front of family and friends. I grew up as a Minnesota Gopher fan and I've been following the team for years. It would have been perfect to beat them."

For Dineen competing in last year's national hockey festival in the 17/18 age group was a nearly perfect experience. "The hockey world is small," said Dineen, who will be joined in Lake Placid by teammate Annie Greenwood. "I had a great time even though competition is always in the background. It's a great opportunity; it's the closest you can get to an Olympic training environment."

The opportunity to make the national U-22 team has spurred Dineen to work hard this summer. "It's helped to give me drive this summer," said Dineen, who has been following the rigorous Princeton team off-season conditioning program in addition to participating in shooting and skating clinics four days a week.

"Summer is a time to relax and I have, but it's good to have something to drive you. I will be as prepared as I can be and do my best. It would be unbelievably cool to make the U.S. team."

If Dineen is chosen, the U.S. will have a cool customer whose skills on the blue line have already turned plenty of heads.

—Bill Alden

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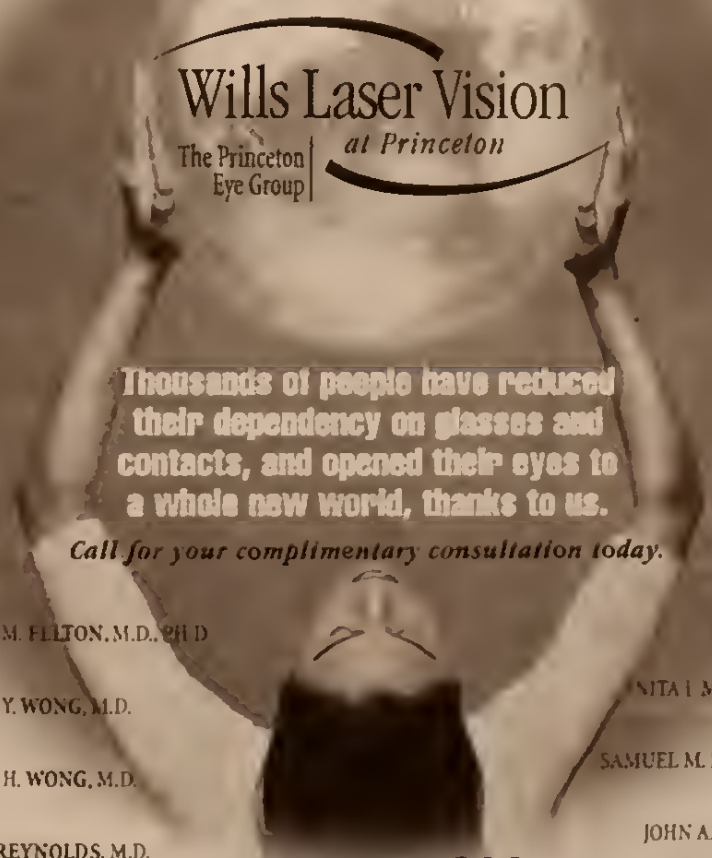

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When baseball's great players of the 1970s are discussed, the name Cesar Cedeno is probably never mentioned. But let's reconsider. When he debuted in the majors with Houston in 1970 at age 19, Astros manager Leo Durocher called Cedeno "the next Willie Mays." While he never lived up that billing, he did have some mighty impressive years. Cedeno is the only player in big league history to smack 20 home runs and steal 50 bases in three straight seasons (1972-74), led the league in doubles in 1971 and '72, won five consecutive Gold Gloves (1972-76) and appeared in four All-Star games.

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Who says poker is a game and not a sport? What if you're playing Extreme Poker? The 2005 Extreme Poker Challenge was held on the floor of the Caribbean Sea. The players wore SCUBA gear, and the winner was Juha Helppi of Finland, who earned the right to choose the location for the 2006 challenge - a 60,000-cubic-foot ice castle he had built in his backyard. Helppi finished second, and hadn't decided whether to join an upcoming tournament that will be played in a plane 10,000 feet above Las Vegas. Players will have to parachute to the ground when they run out of chips.

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PU's Greenwood to Bring Finishing Touch As She Heads to National Hockey Camp

When Annie Greenwood joined the Princeton University women's ice hockey team last winter as a freshman, she didn't expect to be one of the squad's stars.

With a team stocked with veteran standouts, Greenwood, a 5'8 forward, was hoping to see a fair amount of ice time and contribute in any way she could.

Exceeding her own expectations, the New Canaan, Conn. native and former Hotchkiss School star assumed a leading role, pacing the team with 25 goals, 12 power play goals, and five game-winning goals.

Greenwood's production helped Princeton win the Ivy League crown and advance to the NCAA quarterfinals and earned her a string of individual accolades, including being named the Ivy Rookie of the year Award, the co-Rookie of the Year in the ECAC Hockey League (ECACHL) and getting second-team All-ECACHL recognition.

This week, Greenwood heads up to Lake Placid N.Y. as one of the 40 players invited the to the 2006 U.S.A. Hockey National Women's Festival. The festival will serve as a try-out for the U.S. team to play in a three-game Under-22 series against Canada in Ottawa, Ontario in late August.

For Greenwood, taking part in the festival last summer with the 17/18 age group helped lay the groundwork for her superb debut season with the Tigers.

"It was a big help," said Greenwood. "It was good to see what I could do against players like that and compare myself to them. I had a great time; it's fun to go out on the ice with great players, it makes you play better."

Being on the same line with Kim Pearce and Laura Watt in the early stages of her Princeton career helped Greenwood perform better as she adjusted to college hockey.

"I think starting the season playing with Pearce and Watt helped me a lot," said Greenwood. "They are really strong players and I learned a lot from them."

As the season went on, Greenwood soaked up plenty of lessons from Princeton's group of five seniors whose intensity and determination drove Princeton to the success it ultimately enjoyed.

"I looked up to them; it was fun to play with them," asserted Greenwood referring to the Tigers' Class of 2006 which included Tarah Clark, Heather Jackson, Sarah Butsch, Chrissie Norwich, and Roxanne Gaudiel. "They had a great work ethic on and off the ice. They were all really great people and they were a welcoming group."

Proving to be an able student of those seniors, Greenwood was both surprised and proud of the recognition she received during her freshman season.

"I'm excited and elated," added Greenwood, referring to her rookie of the year awards. "I didn't expect that; I thought there were a couple of other girls that were just as deserving. I became a lot stronger physically and much tougher mentally. I learned what it takes to play at the college level."

FINISHING TOUCH: Princeton University hockey star Annie Greenwood heads to goal in action last winter during her freshman campaign. Greenwood didn't waste any time in showing that she could be a dangerous scorer at the college level, pacing the team with 25 goals, 12 power play goals, and five game-winning goals. This week, Greenwood heads up to Lake Placid N.Y. as one of the 40 players invited the to the 2006 U.S.A. Hockey National Women's Festival. The festival will serve as a try-out for the U.S. team to play in a three-game Under-22 series against Canada in Ottawa, Ontario in late August. —(Photo by Bill Allen)

Now, Greenwood is looking forward to proving herself up in Lake Placid at the festival. "The coach Katie Stone [of Harvard] said it's not an individual showcase," said Greenwood, whose training this summer has included playing pick-up hockey with other elite college players and getting in work between sessions while working at hockey camps.

"I'm just looking to play my best. I'm predominately an offensive player so I need to score a lot. It all depends on what they are looking for."

Greenwood is hoping she can catch the eye of the coaches enough to make the U.S. squad. "It would be incredible," asserted Greenwood, who will be joined at the festival by teammate Katherine Dineen. "I know it's a long shot."

Based on the way Greenwood has exceeded expectations so far in her college career, earning a spot on the U.S. team would be right in character.

—Bill Alden

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Former Hun Star Garrison on Target In Move Up to Class A Level of Pro Ball

There was a bit of a commotion in the right field area one Friday night last month when the Lakewood Blue Claws hosted the West Virginia Power in a South Atlantic League contest.

A group of 20-something guys massed in that part of the park and hooted and hollered their way through the game.

At first glance, it may have seemed like they were just a group of summer revelers enjoying a shore activity. In actuality, they were on hand to support their friend, Steve Garrison, a former Hun School star and current starting pitcher for the Power.

Garrison didn't disappoint his supporters, going six innings and striking out four while giving up six hits and a run as he earned the win in a 6-1 Power victory.

In reflecting on his homecoming, Garrison said that he was inspired by his legion of supporters. "That was awesome; it was great knowing that I had 50 friends and family there," said Garrison, a fireballing lefthander who was selected by the Milwaukee Brewers in the 10th round of the 2005 Major League Draft just days after graduating from Hun.

"They were cheering loud. A lot of my buddies hung out in the right field area and I could hear everything they were saying. The adrenaline was definitely flowing; I wanted to pitch well. I'm blessed to have friends like that."

After toiling in the Rookie League in Arizona last summer, Garrison feels blessed to have been sent to the Power which plays at the Class-A level of the minor league ball.

"I didn't want to stay in Arizona, my goal was to move up a level," explained Garrison, who went 25-4 during his Hun days including 8-0 his senior year. "I was happy to come back to the East Coast."

With a record of 5-4 and a 3.66 ERA coming into last weekend, Garrison is enjoying his improvement on the mound. "I'm happy with how I'm doing," said Garrison, who said the velocity on his pitches is currently in the 88-91 m.p.h. range and he has 62 strikeouts in 66.1 innings. "Things could always be better but I'm making progress. I'm happy that I've been able to compete at this level."

While Garrison is serious in his approach to the game, he hasn't lost sight of the fact that he is living out a childhood dream.

"You walk out of the clubhouse and little kids want your autograph, it's awesome," said Garrison. "A lot of the coaches here have been in the big leagues and I'm learning so much. They're always telling stories about the big leagues and I'm just soaking it in."

Someday, Garrison's friends hope to tell stories about seeing him pitch in the big leagues.

—Bill Alden

The 6'1, 185-pound Garrison has relished the challenge of competing in Class A. "You have to step up your game and make adjustments," said Garrison, who was chosen as the team's MVP in each of his four seasons at Hun. "The other players are more experienced and older than the guys I faced last summer."

As a result, the amiable Garrison is taking things a little more seriously day-to-day. "I prepare more between starts and take better care of my body," said Garrison. "I used to eat pizza and ice cream all the time, now if I eat pizza I'll feel it four days later. You're playing everyday and you have more responsibility than in high school. It's a business but at the same time you have to learn how to still enjoy the game."

POWER PITCHER: Steve Garrison uncorks a pitch in the spring of 2005 during his senior campaign with the Hun School baseball team. Garrison, who was selected by the Milwaukee Brewers in the 10th round of the 2005 Major League Draft, is currently starring for the West Virginia Power of the South Atlantic League. Through last Friday, Garrison was 5-4 with a 3.66 ERA and 62 strikeouts in 66.1 innings in his debut season in Class A ball.

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Princeton Resident Carstensen Made Waves Competing at Junior Olympics Water Polo

You can't accuse Haley Carstensen of putting all of her eggs in one basket when it comes to trying sports.

The Princeton resident and rising junior at the Lawrenceville School started swimming at age two and has been competing in the sport since she was six.

Not confining her efforts to the water, Carstensen starred in the Dillon Gym basketball league from grades 4 through 8. She also spent a lot of time on a court of a different kind as she played tennis in middle school.

In the spring of her freshman year at Lawrenceville, Carstensen took up crew and has gone to camps the last two summers to improve her skills in the boat.

But the 6'0 Carstensen may have found the sport that is the best fit for her when she joined the Big Red water polo team just before starting school in 2004.

Picking up the sport in no time, Carstensen has emerged as a force in water polo, contributing right away to the Lawrenceville girls' team.

Earlier this month, she tested her skills in a national forum as she played for the Greenwich (Conn.) Water Polo club in the Junior Olympics in Ventura, Calif., competing in the 18-and-under division.

While getting involved in water polo has worked out for Carstensen, she needed a push from her parents to initially give the sport a try.

"I wanted to try out for tennis when I started at Lawrenceville," recalled Carstensen. "My parents told me to try water polo preseason before starting school. I figured I couldn't lose because if I didn't like it, at least I'd be in good shape for tennis."

It didn't take long for Carstensen to realize that her parents knew best. "I liked it right away," said Carstensen. "My swimming and basketball really helped me to pick it up. Another big part of it was that I loved the team."

Playing the driver position, the versatile Carstensen is able to utilize her athletic talent and experience. "I use my speed from swimming, I'm able to sprint and keep going," explained Carstensen. "I use my height a lot on defense; I'm able to block a lot of shots."

As a relative newcomer to the game, Carstensen acknowledges that she has plenty of room for improvement. "I need to work on developing my awareness of the game," added Carstensen. "I need to be better at body positioning and coordinating things."

To gain valuable experience, Carstensen jumped at the opportunity to compete for the Greenwich Water Polo which came about when a former coach at Lawrenceville passed her name on to Bill Smith, the founder and coach of the Greenwich team.

"I went up there and played in a scrimmage against a Puerto Rican national team," said Carstensen. "We lost but I did well and they asked me to play for the team."

Things went well for Carstensen at the Junior Olympics. "It was good," said Carstensen, whose team went 3-3 in the competition.

"The teams we played have been having double practices for months while we met at the airport. A lot of the teams had 15 players and could substitute a lot; we just had eight players. We'd keep up until the third quarter. I think in terms of athleticism and endurance we could hang in there but they had an advantage in experience."

Now that she has returned from California, Carstensen is picking some valuable experience closer to home as she plays twice a week in pick games at Princeton University's DeNunzio Pool with a group of men in their 20s and 30s.

"The older guys have really helped me; I've learned how to take hits better," said Carstensen with a laugh. "They've incorporated me into their game; they think it's great that more girls are playing the sport and they encourage me."

And Carstensen is certainly encouraged by the progress she has made in the first two years of her water polo career.

—Bill Alden

VENTURA HIGHWAY: Princeton resident Haley Carstensen, right, and Bill Smith, the coach of the Greenwich Water Polo club, take a break between games earlier this month at the Junior Olympics in Ventura, Calif. Carstensen, a rising junior at the Lawrenceville School, helped Greenwich post a 3-3 mark in the 18-and-under women's division at the competition.

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LOCAL SPORTS

EXCELLENT EFFORT: Some members of the Princeton-based X-Cel swimming team celebrate after their strong effort at the recently held New Jersey Swimming Long Course Junior Olympics at Rutgers University. Pictured in the front row is June Zhang. In the center row, from left, are Jocelyn Yuen, Connie Zhang, and Coach Lucy Le. In the back row, from left, are Anna Marshall and Megan Lydzinski. More details on X-Cel's performance at the meet are included in the item elsewhere on this page.

X-Cel Swimmers Thrive at Jr Olympics

The Princeton-based X-Cel Swimming club performed well at the recently held New Jersey Swimming Long Course Junior Olympics at Rutgers University.

Patrick Park, age 10, won a trophy for the highest point score in the 9-10 year old age group after finishing first in the 100 breaststroke; the 200 individual medley; 50 butterfly; 50 breast; 200 freestyle, and 100 butterfly. Also in the 9-10 year old age group, Alexandra Lager placed seventh in the 100 back and eighth in both the 50 fly and 400 free.

In the 11-12 girls' category, Serena Deardorff placed fifth in the 200 fly. Megan Lydzinski placed first in the 50 free; second in the 100 free and fourth in the 50 fly. Anna Marshall placed first in the 100 breast; third in the 200 breast and fifth in the 50 breast. Annelies Paine placed seventh in the 50 breast. Connie Zhang placed second in three events- the 50 breast; 100 breast and 200 breast. Daniel Druckman placed eighth in both the 200 fly and the 1500 free.

The 11-12 girls' 200 free relay team (Megan Lydzinski, June Zhang, Connie Zhang and Jocelyn Yuen) finished first. The 11-12 girls' medley relay team (Anna Marshall, Connie Zhang, Jocelyn Yuen and Megan Lydzinski) finished second.

In the 13-14 age group events, Derek Chiao placed eighth in the 100 breast. Alexander Fagard placed sixth and seventh in the 200 fly and the 100 fly. Rebecca Lewinson placed first in the 200 breast and earned Zone Times in her other top 8 events, placing second in 100 breast, fifth in the 200 IM and sixth in the 400 IM. Paul Schafer placed fifth in both the 100 fly and the 200 fly.

In the 15 and over age group events, Tony Wang placed fifth in the 200 breast and seventh in the 100 breast. Xiao Ying Zhao placed first in the 100 fly.

As a result of their fine performances at the meet, 15 X-Cel swimmers qualified to compete in the Eastern Zone Age Group All Star Swimming Competition Long Course Meet which was slated to be held August 9-12 in Buffalo, N.Y. The Eastern Zone encompasses 12 states from Virginia to Maine.

Springdale Golf Club Holding Youth Clinics

The Springdale Golf Club in Princeton is currently holding youth golf clinics every Friday.

The sessions are open to non-members and will continue through August. Children ages 8 and under are scheduled for 9 a.m.–9:45 a.m., with ages 9–12 going at 10 a.m.-10:45 a.m., and ages 13 and up going at 11 a.m.–11:45

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Safe Streets Hoops Event Set for August 16

The 2006 Safe Streets basketball clinic and games will be taking place on August 16 at the Community Park basketball courts.

The event is a community hoops salute to the memory of Pete Young, Sr. and will feature a clinic and six games. The goal of the organizers is to bring young people and adults together through basketball in order to spread the word on keeping neighborhoods and streets safe.

It is being sponsored by the Joint Effort Community Sports Program in conjunction with Princeton Borough Mayor Mildred Trotman, Mercer County Executive Brian Hughes, the Princeton Borough Police Department, and several other local groups and businesses.

The skills clinic begins at 9 a.m. with the games to follow starting at 2 p.m. Game one will feature teams of 10-12-year old boys with the next game involving boys in the 13-15 age group. There will be a meeting at the Community Park courts on August 14 at 6:30 p.m. for boys interested in playing in the opening games.

Games three and four will feature the Princeton High girls taking on the Trenton girls followed by the PHS boys playing their Trenton counterparts. The fifth game will feature recent high school graduates with the last game involving all-stars from the Rec Department Men's Summer League.

At 6 p.m., there will be a community reception at the park. Later, at 8:30 p.m., there will be a reception for adults only at the Masonic Temple.

For more information on the event, call John Bailey at (303) 745-9649 or Darius Young at (609) 430-9902.

Princeton Piranhas Medal at Jr. Olympics

The Princeton Piranha Swim Team produced several fine performances at the recently held New Jersey Junior Olympic competition held at Rutgers. The newly-formed USA team finished 9th overall in the state in the team standings.

The duo of Jake Valente and Douglas McCord performed well in the boys' 11-12 age group. Valente, a Princeton resident, brought home medals as he finished second in the 200 backstroke, third in the 400 individual medley, fourth in the 200 freestyle, 100 back and 200 IM, fifth in the 100 and 400 free, and seventh in the 200 breaststroke. McCord, for his part, finished first in the 400 IM, second in the 200 breast, third in the 100, 200 and 400 free, third in the 200 back and 200 IM, seventh in the 100 back and eighth in the 100 breast

In the 13-14 girls, Carly Gurick finished eighth in the 800 meter free and Skye Kuseryk bringing home a fifth place finish for the 200 breast. The 13-14 boys were led by Princeton's Jordan Lieberman as he placed third in the 200 back, fourth in the 1500 free, fifth in the 100 and 400 free, sixth in the 800 free, seventh in the 200 free and 200 IM, and eighth in the 100 back.

Katie Meirs contributed points for the Piranhas in the girls' 15 and over category as she placed third in the 200 and 1500 free, fourth in the 100 free, fifth in the 400 free, seventh in the 400 IM and eighth in the 200 breast. In the boys' 15 and over category, Brandon Hullings and Andrew Butler came up big. Hullings was second in the 200 fly, fifth in the 100 fly and eighth in the 200 and 1500 free. Butler finished second in the 400 IM, sixth in the 200 breast and 1500 free and seventh in the 800 free.

Jake Valente, Douglas McCord, Jordan Lieberman and Katie Meirs will be traveling with the New Jersey Zone team to Buffalo where they are slated to compete in the Eastern Zone Age Group All Star Swimming Competition Long Course Meet from August 9-12. The Eastern Zone encompasses 12 states from Virginia to Maine.

DIAMOND REVOLT: Members of the Revolting Masses squad celebrate after winning the Princeton University Summer Softball League title earlier this month. The Revolting Masses defeated the team from the Chemistry Department 4-3 as it won its first-ever crown in the league which has been around for about 40 years. Pictured in the front row, from left, are Andy Gomery, David Abraham, Eric Lubell, and James Byrne. In the back row, from left, are Tom Lank and his daughter, Edith, Bob Durkee, Nick Popper, Tom Boeve, John Murrin, Jeff Gonda, and Bill Jordan. Not pictured are Joe Younger and Alex Bick.

Princeton Youth Football Holding Registration

The Princeton Youth Football program is currently accepting registrations for the 2006 season.

Princeton sponsors a team in the Mercer County Football League. This is a full contact competitive football league designed for players ages 11-14, grades 6-8. Practices begin August 14 with the first game scheduled for September 17. Practices and home games will take place at Princeton High.

Registration forms are available at the Princeton Recreation Department's office at 380 Witherspoon Street, or on the league website at eteamz.com/mercercofootball. The cost is $100, which includes equipment. Please send a copy of your child's birth certificate and make checks payable to "Princeton Youth Football." Forms can be mailed to Kevin Manley, 62 Robert Road, Princeton, NJ, 08540-5333.

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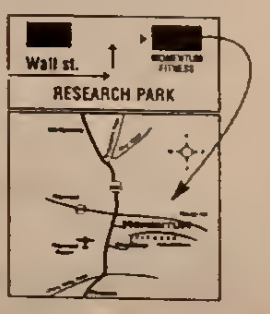

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TAKE THE FIRSTSTEP!

WHO INVENTED THE STEAMBOAT? John Fitch of Trenton (1743-1798), portrayed by Jim Firestone, left, of Princeton, and Robert Fulton (1765-1815), played by Pete Burns of Hamilton, pressed their claims to the title in a recent debate at the Plainsboro Public Library. Princeton University neuroscience professor Bart Hoebel chaired the debate, then invited the audience aboard SPLASH, the Delaware River Steamboat Floating Classroom. SPLASH stands for Student Participation in Learning Aquatic Science and History, Prof. Hoebel's program to teach children and others to care about the 17 million people who depend on the Delaware River for clean drinking water, and to study the river's ecology. The debate winner? The Plainsboro children voted for Mr. Fitch as the steamboat inventor. But Mr. Fitch, accustomed to playing second fiddle to the prosperous Mr. Fulton, warned them, "Watch out when you read American history," adding that Benjamin Franklin had tried to steal his invention.

MASTER GARDENERS AMONG HERBS: Gardeners from across the county gather to enjoy the herbs at the Mercer County Home Compost Demonstration Site and Gardens. From left: Susan Gange, John Plepszak, Polly Burlingham, Theodora Wang, Pat Leach, Bernice Mazzeo, and Mary Jane Trimmer.

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Master Gardeners to Host Herb Program on Saturday

The Master Gardeners of Mercer County will host the program, "Herbs Through the Seasons," on Saturday, August 19 from 10-11 a.m. In addition to the program, Master Gardeners will offer free assistance at a special Question and Answer table from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The program will be held at the Mercer County Home Compost Demonstration Site and Gardens, 431A Federal City Road, Pennington, adjacent to the Mercer County Equestrian Center.

Enjoy a tour of the Herb Demonstration Garden and learn from Master Gardeners how to make use of herbs. A selection of herbal products will be on display. Bring your plant, insect, weed or other garden questions to the special Master Gardener Q&A table. To benefit the Master Gardeners of Mercer County educational programs, a donation of $3 is suggested.

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The Moms Connection, a cooperative, nonsectarian group for parents and caregivers, will host a playgroup from September to May on Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the First Reformed Church of Rocky Hill, at Washington and Reeve Roads,

Mothers from Princeton, Montgomery, and other surrounding areas with babies and preschool children are invited to join the group for play, songs, crafts, and adult conversation.

For more information, call Alicia at (609) 851-3555 or Kim at (732) 274-0868, or visit www.momsconnection.org.

The **Women's College Club of Princeton** will hold its annual Fashion Show Luncheon on Monday, September 11 at the Present Day Club, 72 Stockton Street. The pre-luncheon social gathering, with complimentary wine, will start at noon. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. The cost is $35 per person.

After lunch, club members will model new fall apparel for both day and evening wear from the Dandeline Shop. Also on display will be scarves, jewelry, and other accessories. The fund-raiser benefits young women graduates of Princeton area secondary schools, to whom the Club awards college scholarships each spring.

The Fashion Show Luncheon is open to the public. For reservations, call (732) 297-1696 by September 7. For more information about club activities and membership, call (609) 430-1565.

Samuel J. Plumeri Jr., Director of Public Safety/Superintendent of Police at the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, was the guest speaker at the annual luncheon meeting of The **200 Club of Mercer County** in June. Based in Lawrenceville, The 200 Club is one of several hundred associations nationwide dedicated to providing financial assistance to the families of public safety and rescue personnel — police officers, correction officers, fire fighters, and rescue squad technicians — killed in the line of duty.

Proceeds from the luncheon, which was attended by 200 people, were used to support the families of fallen Mercer County police, fire, and rescue personnel.

For more information about the 200 Club, call its hotline at (609) 712-2012 or visit www.mercer200club.com.

The **Central Jersey Dance Society** will host a California Mix dance on Saturday, September 2 at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Princeton, from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. The dance will offer live music by The Slicked Up 9s, which will play jazz, swing, rockabilly, and blues.

Founded in 1998, the band, featuring a five-piece horn section, has played throughout the Philadelphia and mid-Atlantic region, and has opened for The Brian Setzer Orchestra and Big Bad Voodoo Daddy.

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String of Pearls, the Jewish Reconstructionist congregation of Princeton, will hold an open house on Friday, September 8 at 7 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 50 Cherry Hill Road. Rabbi Daniel Brenner and String of Pearls members will describe the congregation's community and religious school (kindergarten through bar/bar mitzvah). Refreshments and baby-sitters will be available. Shabbat services will follow at 8 p.m.

A Hebrew School open house will be also be held on Monday, September 11, from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. at the Princeton Day School.

For more information, call (609) 799-4070 or visit www.stringofpearlsweb.org.

The **Princeton Church of Christ** will host a "Lose It for Life" weight loss support group that will have its first meeting on Sunday, September 10 at 2 p.m. The group will use spiritual, physical, and emotional solutions to achieve permanent weight loss.

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OBITUARIES

James M. Beck III

James Montgomery Beck III, 77, of Princeton, died August 13 at home of cardiovascular disease. A longtime Princeton resident, he was a graduate of the Hun School and Princeton University.

Born in London to an American father and British mother, he came to the United States at the age of 10 in 1939, but returned to the United Kingdom after graduation from Princeton. He also lived at times in Newport, R.I., Hollywood, Calif., Savannah, Ga., New York City, Mexico, and Switzerland.

He had a varied career. He owned a restaurant in London. He also worked for an advertising agency in New York City, for the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Georgia, and as a college librarian in Newport before retiring to Princeton to devote himself to historical research on his family. His American grandfather, James M. Beck, was a Congressman from Pennsylvania, Assistant Attorney General, and Solicitor General of the United States, and the author of a number of books on the U.S. Constitution. His British grandfather, Edward Priaulx Tennant, Lord Glenconner, was a Scottish Liberal Member of Parliament and financier who served as Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland and Lord Lieutenant of Peeblesshire. His British grandmother, the Edwardian author Pamela Wyndham Tennant, was a member of "The Souls," an influential late 19th Century group of English art patrons, intellectuals, and politicians. His great uncle was British Prime Minister H.H. Asquith, Earl of Oxford and Asquith, and his stepgrandfather, Lord Grey, was British Foreign Secretary during World War I.

Mr. Beck was a former board member of the Princeton branch of the English Speaking Union, and a member of Trinity Episcopal Church, the Nassau Club, the Princeton Club of New York, and the Spouting Rock Beach Association of Newport, R.I.

He was predeceased by two half-sisters, Nina Marais and Diana Blow, and two half-brothers, Harold, 4th Baron Tennyson, and Mark, 5th Baron Tennyson. He is survived by his twin sister, Virginia Clare Beck of Philadelphia; an adopted son, David Lawson-Beck of Princeton; a half-brother, E.R.C Beck of Newport; three grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Interment in Princeton Cemetery will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Hun School of Princeton.

Arrangements are by The Mather-Hodge Funeral Home.

Casper Charles Kennedy

Casper Charles Kennedy, 84, of Princeton, died August 10 at the University Medical Center of Princeton.

Born in Church Hill, Md., he was educated in the Wilmington, Delaware public school system. A U.S. Army veteran of World War II, he was a retired employee of the New Jersey Department of Labor.

He is survived by a brother, William A. Kennedy, Jr., a sister Lucretia Weddington.

The funeral service will be at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 17, at the Hughes Funeral Home, 324 Bellevue Avenue, in Trenton. Calling hours will be from 11 a.m. until time of service. Interment will be at Brig. Gen. Wm. C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Arneytown, N.J.

Elizabeth Boccanfuso

Elizabeth Boccanfuso, 84, of Pensacola, Fla., formerly of Princeton, died August 2 at home.

Born in Princeton, she had been a Pensacola resident since 1984.

Predeceased by her husband, Thomas Boccanfuso, and her parents, Michael and Mamia Penelli, she is survived by two sons, John of Cape May and Bob of Pensacola; a daughter, Dorrie Parsons of Pensacola; a brother, William Penelli of Hopewell; three sisters, Angeline Cefelli and Jane Madalon of Princeton, and Eleanor Mansue of West Windsor; and five grandchildren.

Burial took place in Pensacola.

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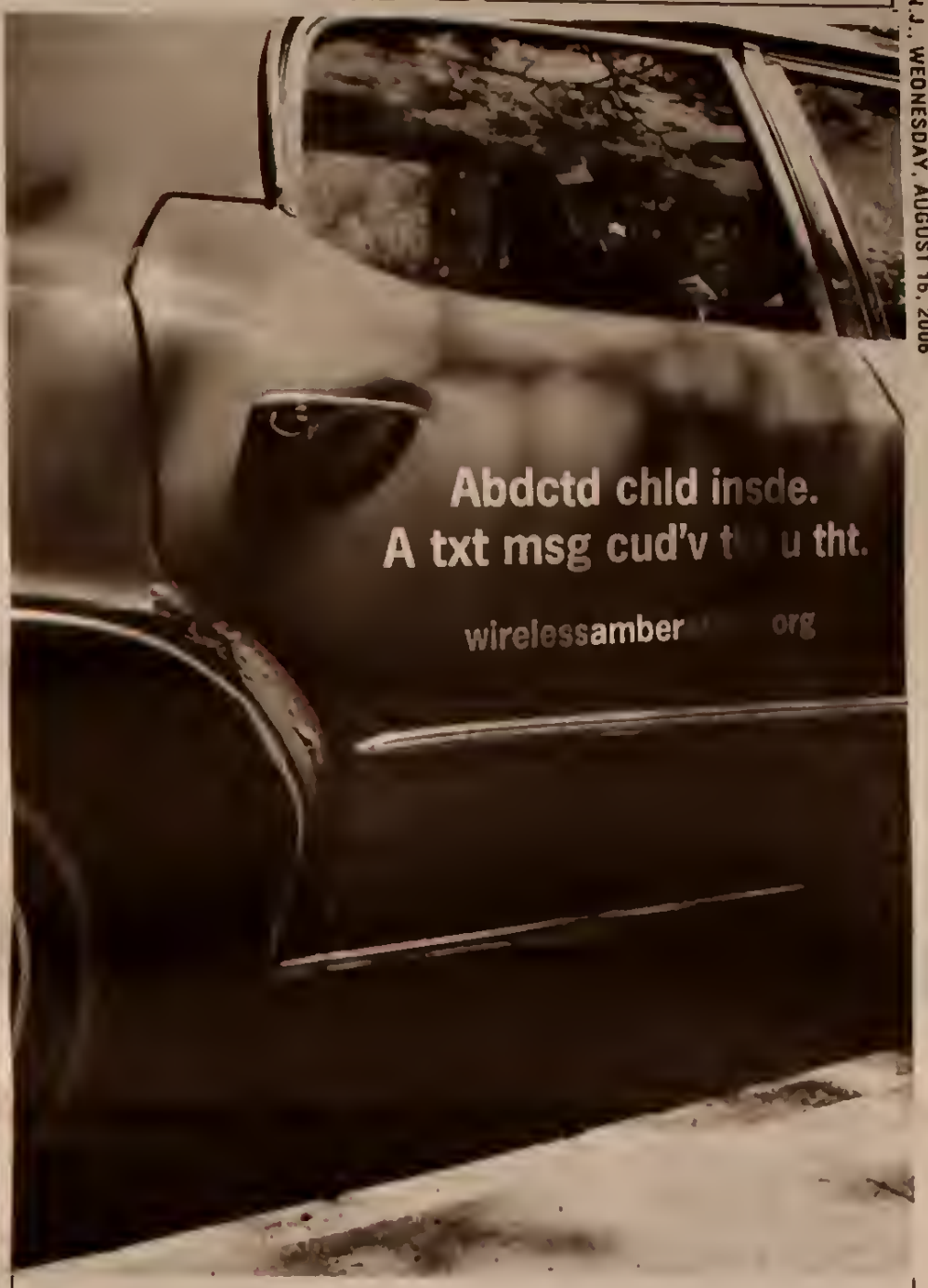

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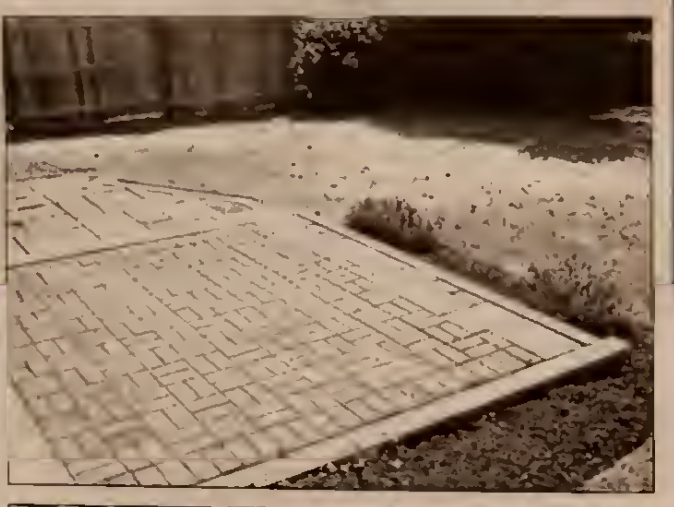

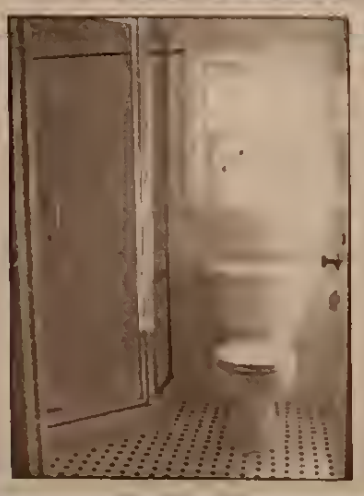

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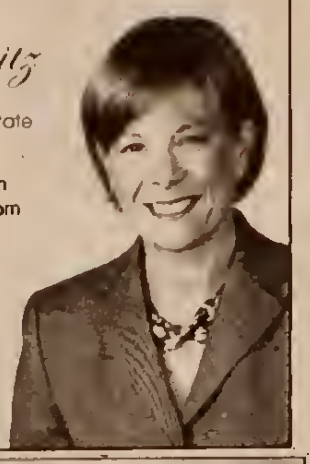

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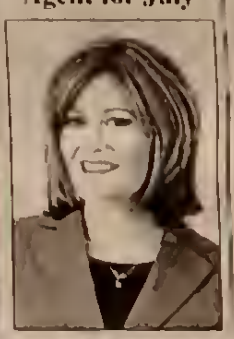

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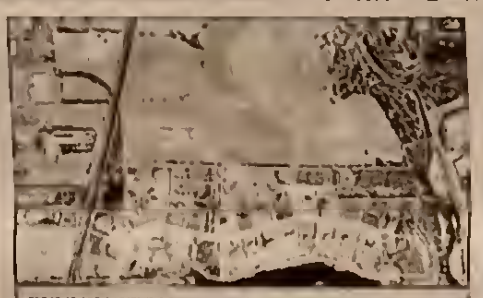

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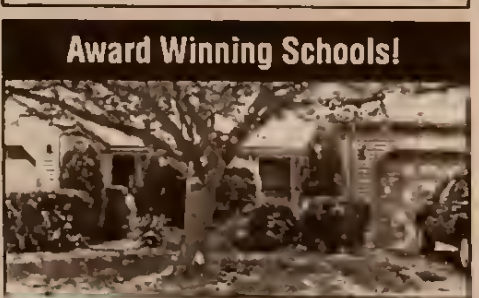

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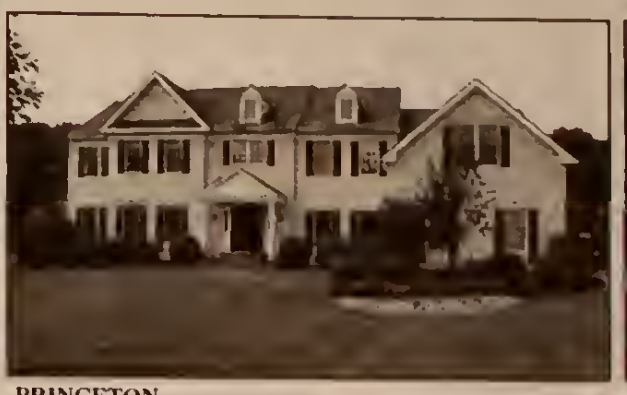

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By Tod Peyton

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Here are a few ideas for making your home more salable: Try to visualize your home from the perspective of a buyer. Focus first on simple cosmetic enhancements, such as a needed coat of paint, new carpet or updated door knobs. Make improvements in the front yard landscaping, giving your home enhanced "curb appeal." Give the house a thorough cleaning, and clear rooms and garage of clutter. Focus on the kitchen and bathrooms first as far as fixup and cleaning.

Stand out among the crowd with these types of projects that historically increase value.

For dependable individual advice on buying or selling real estate, call Tod Peyton, Realtor or any Peyton Associate at 921-1550. Please feel free to stop by my office at 343 Nassau Street in Princeton.

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PRT0873 **Marketed by Susan Gordon** **$849,900**

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